GRAVES JAMES H

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **GRAVES JAMES H** Issuer Symbol HALLMARK FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES INC [HAF] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) 2100 MCKINNEY 01/26/2006 **AVENUE, SUITE 900** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

DALLAS, TX 75201

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
COMMON STOCK	01/26/2006		F	28,572	D	\$ 1.75	198,582	D	
COMMON STOCK	01/26/2006		M	50,000	A	\$ 1	248,582	D	
COMMON STOCK							437,442	I	By limited partnership

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date (Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 1	01/26/2006		M	50,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/29/2006	COMMON STOCK	50
DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 0.375					09/15/2000	03/14/2010	COMMON STOCK	50

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GRAVES JAMES H 2100 MCKINNEY AVENUE SUITE 900 DALLAS, TX 75201	X						

Signatures

STEVEN D. DAVIDSON AS ATTORNEY-IN-FACT FOR JAMES H. GRAVES

02/06/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents director stock options which became exercisable as to 20,000 shares on August 1, 1996, and as to an additional 5,000 shares on each of January 30, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002.

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