

STANGER KENT W
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STANGER KENT W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1600 W MERIT PARKWAY
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/14/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Financial Officer

SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, No Par Value | | | | (A) Amount Price | 76,164 | I | By 401(k) plan ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock, No Par Value | | | | (A) Amount Price | 185,051 | I | Family Limited Partnership |
| Common Stock, No Par Value | | | | (A) Amount Price | 4,271 ⁽²⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock, No | 12/14/2012 | | M ⁽⁹⁾ | 44,445 A \$ 7.79 | 633,087 | D | |

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Par Value

Common Stock, No 12/14/2012 M⁽⁹⁾ 33,334 A \$ 8.38 666,421 D
Par Value

Common Stock, No 12/14/2012 M⁽⁹⁾ 18,750 A \$ 9.22 685,171 D
Par Value

Common Stock, No 12/14/2012 F⁽⁹⁾ 71,604 D \$ 13.27 613,567 D
Par Value

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 7.79 | 12/14/2012 | | M | 44,445 | 02/06/2004 ⁽³⁾ | 02/06/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 8.38 | 12/14/2012 | | M | 33,334 | 05/22/2003 | 05/22/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 17.34 | | | | | 12/13/2003 | 12/13/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 17.34 | | | | | 12/13/2004 | 12/13/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 11.05 | | | | | 06/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock |

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|--|----------|------------|--|---|--------|---------------------------|------------|--------------|
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 11.05 | | | | | 06/10/2004 | 06/10/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 12.02 | | | | | 12/18/2004 | 12/18/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 11.41 | | | | | 05/25/2005 | 05/25/2015 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.71 | | | | | 12/28/2005 | 12/28/2015 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.22 | 12/14/2012 | | M | 18,750 | 05/25/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ | 05/25/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.7 | | | | | 06/27/2008 ⁽⁵⁾ | 06/27/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 9.7 | | | | | 06/27/2008 | 06/27/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 11.53 | | | | | 05/21/2009 ⁽⁶⁾ | 05/21/2015 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 13.82 | | | | | 09/26/2010 ⁽⁷⁾ | 09/26/2016 | Common Stock |
| Non-qualified stock options (right to buy) | \$ 13.75 | | | | | 08/11/2012 ⁽⁸⁾ | 08/11/2018 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STANGER KENT W 1600 W MERIT PARKWAY SOUTH JORDAN, UT 84095 | X | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Gregory L. Barnett,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/18/2012

**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 plan holdings as of 12/11/2012.
- (2) Employee stock purchase plan holdings as of 05/02/2012.
- (3) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/06/2004.
- (4) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 33% commencing 05/25/2007.
- (5) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 06/27/2008.
- (6) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 05/21/2009.
- (7) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 09/26/2010.
- (8) Becomes exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 08/11/2012.
- (9) Stock options were exercised in a swap transaction with the Company. 71,604 shares of common stock were surrendered for payroll taxes and payment of the option price. No shares were sold in the open market.

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