

FREEMAN JAME I
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FREEMAN JAME I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DILLARDS INC [DDS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1600 CANTRELL ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/11/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Senior VP, CFO

LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Class A	01/11/2005		M	53,535 A \$ 23.25	217,648	D	
Common Class A	01/11/2005		F	49,384 D \$ 26.455	168,264	D	
Common Class A	01/11/2005		M	47,489 A \$ 23.25	215,753	D	
Common Class A	01/11/2005		F	43,659 D \$ 26.455	172,094	D	
Dillard's Capital Trust 1					22,850	D	

7.5%
Capital
Securities

Common
Class A -
Retirement
Plan

8,978 D

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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.25	01/11/2005		M	53,535	03/08/2002 12/15/2007	Common Class A 5
Employee Stock Option	\$ 26.455	01/11/2005		F	49,384	01/11/2005 12/15/2007	Common Class A 4
Employee Stock Option	\$ 23.25	01/11/2005		M	47,489	03/08/2002 05/24/2011	Common Class A 4
Employee Stock Option	\$ 26.455	01/11/2005		F	43,659	01/11/2005 05/24/2011	Common Class A 4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREEMAN JAME I 1600 CANTRELL ROAD LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201	X		Senior VP, CFO	

Signatures

/s/ James I.
Freeman

01/12/2005

__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).

Remarks:

Total of 172,094 includes 1,624 shares of Class A acquired under 401(k) plan Exempt Under Rule 16b-3(c).

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