ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PARKS J MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS

CORP [ADS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title __X__ Other (specify below) below)

17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY

05/03/2005

Chairman of the Board / CEO and President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DALLAS, TX 75252-8012

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	any Code		Fransaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities Beneficially Owned	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/03/2005		F(1)	1,501	D	\$ 39.5	126,980	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	6,588	A	\$9	133,568	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005		F(2)	5,063	D	\$ 39.5	128,505	D	
Common Stock	05/03/2005		M(2)	20,202	A	\$ 9.9	148,707 (3)	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9	05/03/2005		M <u>(1)</u>	6,588	<u>(4)</u>	03/09/2007	Common Stock	6,588
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.9	05/03/2005		M(2)	20,202	<u>(4)</u>	05/06/2009	Common Stock	20,202

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PARKS J MICHAEL 17655 WATERVIEW PARKWAY DALLAS, TX 75252-8012	X		Chairman of the Board	CEO and President			

Signatures

Leigh Ann K. Epperson, Attorney 05/05/2005 in Fact

**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) 1,501 shares and \$2.50 have been delivered to the Company in payment of the exercise price of 6,588 employee stock options.

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- (2) 5,063 shares and \$11.30 have been delivered to the Company in payment of the exercise price of 20,202 employee stock options.
 - The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 868 out of an original 120,000 shares of restricted stock granted 9/1/00, which is fully vested; (b) 4,500 shares purchased in the open market; (c) 18,661 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 6/24/03, which is fully vested; (d) less 2,640 shares given as a gift; (e) 57,146 shares acquired by the exercising of vested employee stock
- (3) options; (f) 5,740 out of an original 35,740 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/2/04, which is fully vested; (g) 21,105 shares of performance-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested; (h) 21,105 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested; and (i) 22,222 shares of time-based restricted stock granted 2/3/05, of which 0 shares are vested.
- (4) This is an employee stock option grant that is fully vested.
 - The total number of derivative securities beneficially owned includes: (a) an option for 177,777 shares granted 3/10/97, which is fully vested; (b) an option for 111,111 shares granted 3/10/97, which is fully vested; (c) an option for 63,131 out of an original 83,333 shares granted 5/7/99, which is fully vested; (d) an option for 230,000 shares granted 9/1/00, which is fully vested; (e) an option for 109,388
- (5) shares granted 6/8/01, which is fully vested; (f) an option for 106,203 shares granted 6/24/03, of which 35,047 shares vested on 6/23/04, 35,047 shares will vest on 6/23/05 and 36,109 shares will vest on 6/23/06; (g) an option for 129,291 shares granted 2/2/04, of which 42,666 shares vested on 2/2/05, 42,666 shares will vest on 2/2/06 and 43,959 shares will vest on 2/2/07; and (h) an option for 58,626 shares granted 2/3/05, of which 19,346 shares will vest on each of 2/3/06 and 2/3/07 and 19,934 shares will vest on 2/3/08.

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