## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> FERRAND BRIAN L (Last) (First) (Middle) MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC</u> [     MMSI ]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     02/04/2004								5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) Director			10% Owner Other (specify below)	
1600 W. MERIT PARKWAY (Street) SOUTH JORDAN UT 84095						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) (Zip)																		
Table I - Non-Deriva       1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)     2. Transact Date (Month/Day)					insactio	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Da			e, Transactio Code (Ins					d (A) or	(A) or 5. Amount			: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amoun	t	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 an				(
Common Stock, no par value 08/08/1						988 08/08		/1988	M		20,52	20,527		(8)	20,527		Ι		by 401(k) Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned         (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.07 <sup>(7)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1	988	М		25,001 <sup>(7)</sup>		02/12/2002 <sup>(2</sup>	02	/12/2011		nmon tock	25,001(7)	\$2.07	25,00	1 <sup>(7)</sup>	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$7.61 <sup>(7)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988		М		26,666 <sup>(7)</sup>		12/08/2002 <sup>(3</sup>	) 12	/08/2011		nmon tock	26,666 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$7.61	26,666 <sup>(7)</sup>		D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.56 <sup>(7)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988		М		14,222 <sup>(7)</sup>		05/23/2003 <sup>(4</sup>	0.5	/23/2012		nmon tock	14,222 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$9.56	14,22	2 <sup>(7)</sup>	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$9.74 <sup>(7)</sup>	08/08/1988	08/08/1988		М		35,556 <sup>(7)</sup>		02/06/2004 <sup>(5</sup>	02	/06/2013		nmon tock	35,556 <sup>(7)</sup>	\$9.74	35,55	6 <sup>(7)</sup>	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$21.67 <sup>(7)</sup>	12/13/2003	12/13/2	003	М		14,000		12/13/2004 <sup>(6</sup>	) 12	/13/2013		nmon tock	14,000	\$21.67	14,0	00	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represent plan holdings as of 02/03/04 based upon most recent plan statement timely distributed.

2. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/12/02

3. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/08/02

4. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 05/23/03

5. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 02/06/04

6. Become exercisable in equal annual installments of 20% commencing 12/13/04

7. Numbers reflect (4 for 3) forward split effective 12/13/03

8. per 4019K) Plan

Brian Ferrand per Greg Barnett as Attorney-in-Fact per Pwr of Atty dtd 09/14/02, a manually signed copy of which is on file 02/04/2004 with the SEC and is incorporated herein by reference

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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).

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