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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See
Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ddress of Reporting		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MERIT MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [MMSI	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
LAWPRO	POULUS FR	<u>CD P</u>	1	X Director X 10% Owner
			1	X Officer (give title Other (specify
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	below) below)
			12/16/2003	President, CEO
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
				X Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, no par value	12/15/2003	12/15/2003	S		2,000	D	\$22.1583	867,169	D	
Common Stock, no par value	12/16/2003	12/16/2003	G		10,000	D	(2)	857,169	D	
Common Stock, no par value	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	М		54,717	A	(2)	54,717 ⁽¹⁾	I	by 401(k) Plan ⁽¹⁾

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

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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. Transa Code (8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number of 6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yes Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represent plan holdings as of 8/22/03 per most recent plan statement timely distributed.

2. Gift

Fred P. Lampropoulos

<u>12/16/2003</u> Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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