

KIRKLAND'S, INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Alderson Robert E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O KIRKLAND'S, INC., 431  
 SMITH LANE

(Street)

JACKSON, TN 38301

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 KIRKLAND'S, INC [KIRK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/25/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount (D) Price                                                                              |                                                          |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 07/25/2008                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                   | 22,223<br>(1) \$ 0 635,982                                                                    | 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)**

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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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 2.03                                                | 07/25/2008                           |                                                    | A                              | 50,000                                                                                  | (2) 07/25/2018                                           | Common Stock                                                  | 50,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                   | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|                                                                                  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| Alderson Robert E<br>C/O KIRKLAND'S, INC.<br>431 SMITH LANE<br>JACKSON, TN 38301 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

W. Michael Madden, Attorney In Fact for Robert S. Alderson 07/29/2008

\_\_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) This restricted stock was granted under the Kirkland's Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares subject to the grant will vest 100% on July 25, 2011.

(2) These options will become exercisable as to 33.33% of such shares on July 25, 2009 and as to 8.33% of such shares at the end of the next eight calendar quarters.

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