

NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N  
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 \*  
NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP [GD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/09/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DR., SUITE 100

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	02/09/2009		M		11,000 A \$ 45.67	54,589	D
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	02/09/2009		S		7,845 D \$ 56.704	46,744	D
Common Stock,	02/09/2009		F		1,761 D \$ 56.73	44,983	D

\$1.00 par value

Common Stock, \$1.00 par value

3,487.0671  
(2)

I

401(k)  
Plan

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 45.67	02/09/2009		M	11,000	(3) 03/02/2009	Common Stock	11,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

NOVAKOVIC PHEBE N  
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION  
2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DR., SUITE 100  
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Senior Vice President

## Signatures

Julie P. Aslaksen, by power of attorney

02/11/2009

\_\_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).

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- (1) Sale prices ranged from \$56.70 to \$56.75. Reporting Person will provide, upon request by the Commission staff, General Dynamics, or a General Dynamics shareholder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price.
- (2) Includes share activity under General Dynamics 401(k) plan since date of reporting person's last ownership report
- (3) Fifty percent became exercisable on 3/3/05 and the remaining fifty percent became exercisable on 3/3/06.

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