

FREEMAN JAME I
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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 *
FREEMAN JAME I

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DILLARDS INC [DDS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1600 CANTRELL ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/13/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Senior VP, CFO

LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Class A	01/13/2006		M	83,482 A \$ 25.16	260,347	D	
Common Class A	01/13/2006		F	81,204 D \$ 26.195	179,143 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Dillard's Capital Trust 1 7.5% Capital Securities					22,850	D	
					8,978	D	

Common
Class A -
Retirement
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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 25.16	01/13/2006		M	83,482	03/19/2002 12/10/2006	Common Class A	83,482	
Common Class A	\$ 26.195	01/13/2006		F	81,204	01/13/2006 12/10/2006	Common Class A	81,204	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREEMAN JAME I 1600 CANTRELL ROAD LITTLE ROCK, AR 72201	X		Senior VP, CFO	

Signatures

/s/ James I. Freeman
01/17/2006

**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) Total of 179,143 includes 4,771 shares of Class A acquired under 401(k) plan Exempt Under Rule 16b-3(c).

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