

Madden W Michael
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Madden W Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O KIRKLAND'S INC., 2501
 MCGAVOCK PIKE, SUITE 1000

(Street)

NASHVILLE, TN 37214

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/08/2010

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)
 Senior VP & Chief Fin. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ 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) | 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 | 06/08/2010 | | A | | 29,000 (1) \$ 0 | 105,181 | 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) | \$ 19.06 | 06/08/2010 | | A | 11,600 | (2) 06/08/2020 | Common Stock | 11,600 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Madden W Michael C/O KIRKLAND'S INC. 2501 MCGAVOCK PIKE, SUITE 1000 NASHVILLE, TN 37214 | | | Senior VP & Chief Fin. Officer | |

Signatures

Lowell E. Pugh II, as Attorney In Fact for W. Michael Madden
06/09/2010

__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) The reporting person was granted 29,000 restricted stock units (RSUs) under the Kirkland's 2002 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest 100% on June 8, 2013.
- (2) These options will become exercisable as to 25% of such shares on June 8, 2011 and thereafter will become exercisable as to 6.25% per quarter for the next three years.

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