#### SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC

Form 4

December 20, 2005

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* DAVIS CHRISTOPHER J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC

(Check all applicable)

[SFE]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

**Executive Vice President** 

(Month/Day/Year)

12/16/2005

X\_ Officer (give title below)

800 THE SAFEGUARD **BUILDING, 435 DEVON PARK** DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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WAYNE, PA 19087-1945

(City) (State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.91	12/16/2005		A	125,000	<u>(1)</u>	12/16/2013	Common Stock	125,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.91	12/16/2005		A	425,000	<u>(2)</u>	12/16/2013	Common Stock	425,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DAVIS CHRISTOPHER J 800 THE SAFEGUARD BUILDING 435 DEVON PARK DRIVE WAYNE, PA 19087-1945

**Executive Vice President** 

## **Signatures**

CHRISTOPHER J.

DAVIS 12/19/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date
Person

## **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) Option vesting: 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date and in equal monthly installments during the three-year period thereafter.
  - Options feature market performance-based vesting so that they only become exercisable upon sustained improvement in the trading price of the Issuer's common stock in the following increments: 10% of the options at \$2.0359 per share; an additional 20% at \$3.1548 per
- (2) share; an additional 30% at \$4.6466 per share; and the remaining 40% at \$6.5114 per share (based on the average daily closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the NYSE for any 20 consecutive trading days preceding a vesting date), with pro rata vesting based on sustained improvement in the trading price of the Issuer's common stock between the stock price thresholds set forth above.

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