SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MESSMAN JACK L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

SAFEGUARD SCIENTIFICS INC

[SFE]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

435 DEVON PARK DRIVE.

(First)

(Street)

(State)

BUILDING 800

(City)

(Instr. 3)

05/24/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

WAYNE, PA 19087-1945

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share
Deferred Stock Unit Award 2012	\$ 0	05/24/2012		A	2,500	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	2,5
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.055	05/24/2012		A	5,000	05/24/2013	05/24/2020	Common Stock	5,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MESSMAN JACK L 435 DEVON PARK DRIVE, BUILDING 800 WAYNE, PA 19087-1945	X					

Signatures

By: Deirdre Blackburn Agent For: Jack L. 05/25/2012 Messman

> **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).
- The deferred stock units are payable in stock, on a one-for-one basis, and are fully vested at grant. Distributions in respect of the deferred (1) stock units will be made following termination of service as a director at times established in accordance with the terms of the applicable equity compensation plan of the Issuer.

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