THORP JEFFREY Form 3 April 17, 2009 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB APPROVAL** FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB Number:

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> THORP JEFFREY				2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	0 5. 155del 14dill	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]				
	(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	04/09/2009	4. Relationshi Person(s) to Is	p of Reporting	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
805 THIRD AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR				(Check all applicable)						
		(Street)			Director Officer (give title below	X10% Other v) (specify belo	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting			
NEW YORK, NY 10022			0022				Person _X_Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						
	itle of Securi str. 4)	ty			ount of Securities cially Owned 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•		
Common Stock				377,5	377,500		Â			
Common Stock				377,5	00	$D \frac{(2)}{(5)} \frac{(3)}{(4)}$	Â			

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerce Expiration D (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	rivative Security:	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationsl	nips				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
THORP JEFFREY 805 THIRD AVENUE 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â			
Sonoma Capital, LP 805 THIRD AVENUE 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	X	Â	Â			
Sonoma Capital, LLC 805 THIRD AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â			
Sonoma Capital Management, LLC 805 THIRD AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	Â	ÂX	Â	Â			
Signatures							
Jeffrey Thorp					04/14/2009		
**Signature of Reporting Person							
Jeffrey Thorp, Managing Member of Sonoma Capital, LLC, general partner of Sonoma Capital, LP							
**Signature of Reporting Person							
Jeffrey Thorp, Managing Member of Sonoma Capital, LLC							
<u>_**</u> Sig	Date						
Jeffrey Thorp, Managing Member of Sonoma Capital Management, LLC							
**Signature of Reporting Person							
Jeffrey Thorp, Jeffrey Thorp IFA, HSBC Bank USA, N.A. as Custodian							

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- (1) Reflects the securities of the issuer owned directly by Sonoma Capital, LP.
- (2) Reflects the securities of the issuer owned directly by Jeffrey Thorp IRA, HSBC Bank USA, N.A. as Custodian (the "HSBC IRA").

Sonoma Capital, LLC is the general partner of Sonoma Capital, LP. Jeffrey Thorp is the managing member of Sonoma Capital, LLC. Sonoma Capital Management, LLC is the investment manager of Sonoma Capital, LP. Jeffrey Thorp is the managing member of Sonoma

- (3) Capital Management, LLC. As a result, Sonoma Capital, LP, Sonoma Capital Management, LLC, Sonoma Capital LLC and Jeffrey Thorp may be deemed to have shared power to vote or to direct the vote and shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the shares of Common Stock owned by Sonoma Capital, LP.
- (4) Jeffrey Thorp is the controlling person of the HSBC IRA. As a result, Jeffrey Thorp may be deemed to have shared power to vote or to direct the vote and shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of the shares of Common Stock owned by the HSBC IRA.
- For purposes of this Form 3, Jeffrey Thorp, Sonoma Capital, LLC and Sonoma Capital Management, LLC disclaim ownership of the(5) shares of common stock owned by Sonoma Capital, LP and the HSBC IRA reported on this Form 3 except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein.

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