

SARACINO SAMUEL F  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
SARACINO SAMUEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
9911 WILLOWS ROAD N.E.  
(Street)

REDMOND, WA 98052

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AVOCENT CORP [AVCT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/23/2006

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)  
Exec VP of Legal and Corp

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/23/2006		M	26,000 A \$ 22.36	49,694	D	
Common Stock	10/23/2006		S	26,000 D \$ 35.06	23,694	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2006		M	14,000 A \$ 22.36	37,694	D	
Common Stock	10/24/2006		S	14,000 D \$ 34.9	23,694 <sup>(4)</sup>	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)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 52.4375					09/18/2000 <sup>(1)</sup> 09/18/2010	Common Stock 100,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 22.36	10/23/2006		M	26,000	05/25/2001 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/25/2011	Common stock 26,000
Common Stock	\$ 22.36	10/24/2006		M	14,000	05/25/2001 <sup>(2)</sup> 05/25/2011	Common Stock 14,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 21.77					04/15/2002 <sup>(2)</sup> 04/15/2012	Common Stock 76,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 27.25					03/07/2003 <sup>(2)</sup> 03/07/2013	Common Stock 40,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 40.98					02/05/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/05/2014	Common Stock 30,000
Option (rights to buy)	\$ 28.96					08/19/2004 <sup>(2)</sup> 08/19/2014	Common Stock 10,000
Options (rights to buy)	\$ 26.14					06/30/2005 <sup>(3)</sup> 06/30/2015	Common Stock 8,500

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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REDMOND, WA 98052

Exec VP of Legal and Corp

## Signatures

Edward H. Blankenship Attorney-in-Fact for Samuel F.  
Saracino

10/25/2006

\_\_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) Grant date, 15% vests every six months for the first 12 months, 6.25% vests quarterly for the following 24 months and 5% vests quarterly for the remaining 12 months.
- (2) Grant date, 25% vests after 6 months and in 10 equal quarterly installments thereafter. The vesting of the unvested options priced at higher than \$25.00 vested on December 25, 2005.
- (3) Grant date, 100% vests on December 31, 2005.
- (4) This includes time-based restricted shares: 5484 shares vest equally over two years, 50% on January 1, 2007 and 50% on January 1, 2008; 10753 shares vest equally over three years, 1/3 on January 1, 2007, 1/3 on January 1, 2008 and 1/3 on January 1, 2009.

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