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HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC Form 4 September 17, 2013 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SCHWARZ MARK E Issuer Symbol HALLMARK FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES INC [HALL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_ Director X\_\_ 10% Owner X\_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 09/13/2013 Executive Chairman 1400 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75201 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I)(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Common D (1) 130,805 Stock Shares directly owned by Common Ρ I (2) 09/13/2013 208 A 919.602 NCM 8.55 Stock Services, Inc. (2) Common 09/16/2013 Ρ 5.100 Α \$ 924,702 I (2) Shares directly Stock 8.67 owned by (3) NCM Services, Inc.

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Common Stock	134,376	I ( <u>2)</u>	Shares directly owned by Newcastle Capital Management, L.P. (2)
Common Stock	3,730,432	I <u>(2)</u>	Shares directly owned by Newcastle Partners, L.P. (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.52					<u>(4)</u>	05/24/2017	Common Stock	10,000	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.46					<u>(4)</u>	05/22/2018	Common Stock	5,000	
Director Stock Option (right to	\$ 6.61					<u>(6)</u>	04/01/2019	Common Stock	200,000	

buy) Director Stock Option \$ 6.99 (4) 12/31/2021 Common (right to buy) Stock 14,157

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SCHWARZ MARK E 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201	Х	Х	Executive Chairman			
Schwarz 2012 Family Trust 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201		Х				
NCM SERVICES, INC. 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201		Х				
NEWCASTLE CAPITAL GROUP LLC 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201		Х				
NEWCASTLE CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LP 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201		Х				
NEWCASTLE PARTNERS L P 200 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 1400 DALLAS, TX 75201		Х				
Signatures						
Steven D. Davidson as Attorney-In-Fact for all Rep Persons	oorting	09/1	7/2013			
**Signature of Reporting Person		D	Pate			

# **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) Shares owned directly by Mr. Schwarz.

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Mr. Schwarz is the sole trustee of the Schwarz 2012 Family Trust (the "Trust") and a director and officer of NCM Services, Inc. ("NCMS"). The Trust is the sole shareholder of NCMS, which is the sole member of Newcastle Capital Group, L.L.C. ("NCG"), which is

(2) the general partner of Newcastle Capital Management, L.P. ("NCM"), which is the general partner of Newcastle Partners, L.P. ("NP"). Accordingly, Mr. Schwarz may be deemed the beneficial owner of all shares held by any of the Trust, NCMS, NCG, NCM or NP, and each of these entities may be deemed the beneficial owner of all shares held by the entities which they directly or indirectly own or control.

Represents the weighted average purchase price of transactions effected at prices ranging from \$8.64 per share to \$8.70 per share. Upon(3) written request by the SEC, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

- (4) Options are presently fully exercisable.
- (5) Options directly owned by Mr. Schwarz.
- (6) Options vest in seven equal annual installments commencing April 1, 2010.

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