## Edgar Filing: ABLEST INC - Form 4

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| September 2<br>FORN  | <b>4</b> UNITED                         | 06<br>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION<br>Washington, D.C. 20549  |   |   |  |                |                     |  |   |   |  |  |
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| (Print or Type   | Responses)                              |   |   |   |  |                |                     |  |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>BURTON DONALD W  |   |   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>ABLEST INC [AIH] |   |  |                |                     | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |   |   |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 3.   |   |   |   | f Earliest T<br>Day/Year)<br>006            | ransaction   |                |                     | (Check all applicable)<br><u>Director</u> <u>X</u> 10% Owner<br><u>Officer (give title</u> <u>Other (specify</u><br><u>below)</u>                |   |   |  |  |
|  |   |   |   | mendment, Date Original<br>/Ionth/Day/Year) |  |                |                     | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting |   |   |  |  |
| TAMPA, F   | L 33606                                 |   |   |   |  |                |                     | Person   | More than One   | Reporting   |  |  |
| (City)   | (State)                                 | (Zip)   | Tab   | le I - Non-I                                | Derivative   | Secu           | rities A            | cquired, Disposed  | of, or Benefic  | ially Owned   |  |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | Date, if Transaction<br>Code  |   | 4. Securities Acquired<br>n(A) or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)<br>(A) |                |                     | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)   | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                     |  |  |
| common<br>stock  | 09/21/2006                              | 09/21/20  | 06  | Code V<br>P                                 | Amount<br>400  | or<br>(D)<br>A | Price<br>\$<br>6.25 | (Instr. 3 and 4)   | I   | By Limited<br>Partnership   |  |  |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transact<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) of<br>Dispo<br>of (D<br>(Instr | of Expiration Date<br>of (Month/Day/Year<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, |                     | ate                | 7. Titl<br>Amou<br>Under<br>Secur<br>(Instr. | int of<br>rlying                       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|--|
|   |   |   | Code V                               | 4, an   | ,  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Addr                            | ess        | Relationsh |         |       |
|--|------------|------------|---------|-------|
| reporting o when runne / runn                          | Director   | 10% Owner  | Officer | Other |
| BURTON DONALD W<br>614 W BAY STREET<br>TAMPA, FL 33606 |            | Х          |         |       |
| Signatures   |            |            |         |       |
| Donald W.<br>Burton                                    | 09/12/2006 |            |         |       |
| <u>**</u> Signature of<br>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).

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