

SPECIALTY LABORATORIES INC

Form 4

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See Instruction
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DeFreece Michael

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
SPECIALTY LABORATORIES
INC [SP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

27027 TOURNEY ROAD

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2005

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

VALENCIA, CA 91355

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 (1)	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/14/2005		A		5,000	A	\$ 0
							30,000
							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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option(right to buy)	\$ 9.35	03/14/2005		A	3,000	03/14/2006 03/14/2015	Common Stock	3,000 (2)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DeFreece Michael 27027 TOURNEY ROAD VALENCIA, CA 91355	X			

Signatures

Michael T. DeFreece by Les McClafferty-Helley, Attorney
in Fact 03/16/2005

__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) Vesting = 33 1/3% on the 1st anniversary of the issuance, 33 1/3% on the 2nd anniversary of the issuance, and 33 1/3% on the 3rd anniversary of the issuance.

(2) Vesting = 100% on the first anniversary of the grant. Exercisable for 1 year following cessation of Board service.

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