

CROWN JAMES S  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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 \*  
CROWN JAMES S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP  
[GD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
222 N LASALLE STREET, STE 2000

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/02/2009

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

(Street)  
CHICAGO, IL 60601

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/02/2009		F <sup>(1)</sup>	160 D \$ 58.53	32,120 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					5,424,092	I	See ftn <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					2,511,144	I	See ftn <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock					7,753,112	I	See ftn <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock					304,800	I	See ftn <sup>(6)</sup>

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROWN JAMES S 222 N LASALLE STREET STE 2000 CHICAGO, IL 60601	X			

**Signatures**

/s/ James S. Crown                      01/06/2009

\*\*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) Withheld shares of Common Stock to satisfy tax withholding obligations on release of restricted shares granted pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).  
1,935 of these Common Stock shares were previously reported as restricted stock. On the transaction date, the restrictions on these shares were removed. In addition, restrictions have been lifted on 160 additional shares previously reported as restricted stock, which shares are being disposed as indicated in Table 1 above.
- (3) Owned by a partnership, Henry Crown and Company (Not Incorporated), of which the Reporting Person is a partner.

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- (4) Owned by a partnership, Areljay, L.P., of which the Reporting Person is a beneficiary of a trust which is a partner, and a director, officer, and shareholder of a corporation which is a partner.
- (5) Owned by a partnership, The Crown Fund, of which the Reporting Person is a partner.
- (6) Owned by partnership, Crown Fund II, of which the Reporting Person is a partner.

### **Remarks:**

As previously reported, the Reporting Person holds 26,330 stock options to purchase Common Stock. The Reporting Person d

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