Madden W Michael Form 4 July 29, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

Madden W Michael Issuer Symbol KIRKLAND'S, INC [KIRK] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O KIRKLAND'S INC., 431 07/25/2008 below) below) **SMITH LANE** Sen. V.P. & Chief Fin. Officer

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

JACKSON, TN 38301

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 22,223 Common 07/25/2008 A \$0 29,957 D Α (1) Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)		3 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 2.03	07/25/2008		A	50,000	(2)	07/25/2018	Common Stock	50,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Madden W Michael C/O KIRKLAND'S INC. 431 SMITH LANE JACKSON, TN 38301

Sen. V.P. & Chief Fin. Officer

Signatures

Robert E. Alderson, Attorney In Fact for W. Michael Madden

07/29/2008

**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) This restricted stock was granted under the Kirkland's Inc. 2002 Equity Incentive Plan. The shares subject to the grant will vest 100% on July 25, 2011.
- (2) These options will become exercisable as to 33.33% of such shares on July 25, 2009 and as to 8.33% of such shares at the end of the next eight calendar quarters.

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