

OLIVER WALTER M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**OLIVER WALTER M**

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/25/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior Vice President**

**C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE**

(Street)

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

**FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042**

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	08/25/2008		M		51,100 A \$ 45.67	126,258	D
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	08/25/2008		M		1,898 A \$ 52.65	128,156	D
Common Stock,	08/25/2008		M		1,602 A \$ 62.36	129,758	D

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\$1.00 par value									
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	08/25/2008	S	48,912	D	\$ <u>90.98</u> (1)	80,846		D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	08/25/2008	F	3,284	D	\$ 91.25	77,562		D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	08/26/2008	G V	3,950	D	\$ 0	73,612		D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value						3,820.3543 <u>(2)</u>		I	401 (k) Plan

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 45.67	08/25/2008		M	51,100	<u>(3)</u> 03/02/2009	Common Stock	51,100
Stock Options	\$ 52.65	08/25/2008		M	1,898	<u>(4)</u> 03/01/2010	Common Stock	1,898
Stock Options	\$ 62.36	08/25/2008		M	1,602	<u>(5)</u> 02/28/2011	Common Stock	1,602

# Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
OLIVER WALTER M C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION 2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

Julie P. Aslaksen, by power of attorney  
 08/27/2008  
 \*\*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) Sale prices ranged from \$90.75 to \$91.31. Reporting Person will provide, upon request by the Commission staff, General Dynamics, or a General Dynamics shareholder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate sales price.
- (2) Includes share activity under General Dynamics 401(k) plan since date of reporting person's last ownership report
- (3) Fifty percent became exercisable 3/3/05 and the remaining fifty percent became exercisable 3/3/06.
- (4) Fifty percent became exercisable 3/2/06 and the remaining fifty percent became exercisable 3/2/07.
- (5) Fifty percent became exercisable 3/1/07 and the remaining fifty percent became exercisable 3/1/08.

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