

FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 ZIMMEL JOSEPH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC [FDS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/15/2009

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

601 MERRITT 7  
 (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

NORWALK, CT

(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 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)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.09	01/15/2009	A	5,315					01/15/2010 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/15/2016	FactSet Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.09	01/15/2009	A	4,500					01/15/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/15/2016	FactSet Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.09	01/15/2009	A	10,000					01/15/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/15/2016	FactSet Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZIMMEL JOSEPH 601 MERRITT 7 NORWALK, CT	X			

## Signatures

Joseph Zimmel                      01/22/2009  
\*\*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) Non-qualified stock options granted to outside Directors vest ratably at 20% per year over five years upon the anniversary date of the grant and expire seven years from the date the options were granted.
- (2) 20% of the non-qualified stock options granted to outside Directors vest immediately with the remainder to vest ratably at 20% per year over four years upon the anniversary date of the grant and expire seven years from the date the options were granted.
- (3) As a new outside Director of FactSet, Mr. Zimmel was awarded a new director equity grant on January 15, 2009 intended to deliver a dollar value determined by the Board on grant date. 20% or 2,000 of these non-qualified stock options granted to Mr. Zimmel vest immediately with the remainder to vest ratably at 20% per year over four years upon the anniversary date of the grant and expire seven years from the date the options were granted.

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