Doft David B. Form 4 February 16, 2010

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Doft David B.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

THIRD AVENUE

(City)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

X\_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify below)

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950 02/12/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Director

Applicable Line)

Chief Financial Officer

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10022

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

D

D

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Class A **Shares** 

Amount

(See FN) I

Class A Shares

Restricted Stock (Class 02/12/2010

Α 34,965 A \$0 102,839 (3)

67,874 (1)

 $1,000^{(2)}$ 

(2)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

A Shares)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title ar of Underl Securities (Instr. 3 a	lying s
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numbe Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights (4)	\$ 3.72	02/12/2009		A	128,205		02/12/2010	02/12/2014	Class A Shares	128,2

### **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

> > Chief Financial Officer

Doft David B.

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 950 THIRD AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10022

## **Signatures**

/s/ David B. 02/16/2010 Doft

Date \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

### **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) Includes shares of unvested Restricted Stock (Class A Shares).
- (2) Held in a UTMA account for benefit of a minor child of the Reporting Person.
- All 34,965 shares of Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer awarded on February 12, 2010 will vest on February 12, 2013,
- (3) subject to accelerated vesting in 2011 and / or 2012 if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2011 and 2012, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment.
- Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") granted February 12, 2009, vest 33% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 33% on the second (4) anniversary of the grant date, and 34% on the third anniversary of the grant date, and expire on February 12, 2014. These SARs may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.

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