

KERN R. FRANKLIN III  
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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 \*  
**KERN R. FRANKLIN III**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORP [IBM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Senior Vice President**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**IBM CORPORATION, ONE NORTH CASTLE DRIVE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/28/2008**

**ARMONK, NY 10504**

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	08/28/2008		M		968 A \$ 103.25	30,813	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008		M		24,032 A \$ 103.25	54,845	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008		S		5,000 D \$ 124.55	49,845	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008		S		5,000 D \$ 124.5924	44,845	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008		S		3,600 D \$ 124.6017	41,245	D

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Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	2,000	D	\$ 124.611	39,245	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	4,900	D	\$ 124.616	34,345	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	600	D	\$ 124.62	33,745	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 124.6299	32,245	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	400	D	\$ 124.63	31,845	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	417	D	\$ 124.64	31,428	D
Common Stock	08/28/2008	S	615	D	\$ 124.65	30,813	D

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Emp. Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 103.25	08/28/2008		M	24,032	02/29/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/28/2010	Common Stock	24,032
Emp. Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 103.25	08/28/2008		M	968	02/29/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/28/2010	Common Stock	968

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KERN R. FRANKLIN III IBM CORPORATION ONE NORTH CASTLE DRIVE ARMONK, NY 10504			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

M. SooHoo for R. F. Kern III by  
power-of-attorney

08/29/2008

\_\_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 grant vested in four equal annual installments; the last installment vested on the date shown above.

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