

CANAKES STEVEN P
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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 *
CANAKES STEVEN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VITAL IMAGES INC [VTAL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5850 OPUS PARKWAY, SUITE 300
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/14/2010

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Exec VP - Global Sales

MINNETONKA, MN 55343

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	09/14/2010		M		20,000	A	\$ 9.6
Common Stock	09/14/2010		S		18,600	D	\$ 12.6283
Common Stock	09/14/2010		S		1,400	D	\$ 12.7007

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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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.6	09/14/2010		M	20,000	⁽¹⁾ 02/06/2011	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CANAKES STEVEN P 5850 OPUS PARKWAY SUITE 300 MINNETONKA, MN 55343			Exec VP - Global Sales	

Signatures

/s/ Steven P.
Canakes

09/16/2010

**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) Original grant of 20,000 vested as to 28% on February 6, 2004 and 2% per month until fully vested.
- (2) In addition, Mr Canakes has other options totaling 78,100 at various prices and expiration dates.

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