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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	1 0	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FACTSET RESEARCH SYSTEMS INC [5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
LAIRD JUS.	MERRITT 7 et)		FDS]	X	Director	10% Owner			
					Officer (give title	Other (specify			
(Last) 601 MERRITT	、 ,	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/08/2008		below)	below)			
Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	ridual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable			
NORWALK	СТ			X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting			

4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 3. 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature Transaction of Indirect Date Execution Date. Securities Form: Direct (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Beneficial Ownership Owned Following Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (A) or (D) Code v Amount Price 10/08/2008 \$44.0223 FactSet Common Stock Μ 2,500 D 9,000 D

	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. Transa Code (8)	5. Number action of		 G. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

<u>Joseph E. Laird, Jr.</u>

10/15/2008

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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