Digital Music Group, Inc.

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## FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 2. Date of Event 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Requiring Statement A BALLARD Michalson B Digital Music Group, Inc. [DMGI] (Month/Day/Year) (First) (Last) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original 07/10/2007 Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 2151 RIVER PLAZA DR., SUITE (Check all applicable) 200 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Director 10% Owner Filing(Check Applicable Line) X Officer Other \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting (give title below) (specify below) Person SACRAMENTO, Â CAÂ 95833-3881 Vice President-Operations Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) **Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned** 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common stock 15 D Â Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | Security 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) |                 | Securities U | 3. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) |                        | 5.<br>Ownership<br>Form of<br>Derivative | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|--|---|-----------------|--------------|--|------------------------|--|---|
|  | Date<br>Exercisable   | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or<br>Number of   | Derivative<br>Security | Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect   |   |

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|                                      |     |            |              | Shares |         | (I)<br>(Instr. 5) |   |
|--------------------------------------|-----|------------|--------------|--------|---------|-------------------|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (1) | 06/02/2013 | Common stock | 8,000  | \$ 6.5  | D                 | Â |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | (2) | 04/17/2014 | Common       | 10,000 | \$ 4.99 | D                 | Â |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                           |       |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|--|
| reporting of the Funder Funders   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                   | Other |  |
| BALLARD Michalson B<br>2151 RIVER PLAZA DR., SUITE 200<br>SACRAMENTO, CA 95833-3881 | Â             | Â         | Vice President-Operations | Â     |  |

# **Signatures**

/s/ Barth Ballard 07/10/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- The option vested and became exercisable as to 25% of the shares on June 2, 2007 and 1/48 of the shares on July 2, 2007, and will vest and become exercisable as to 1/48 of the shares each month following July 2, 2007 for 35 months, provided that the Reporting Person continues to serve as an employee through each such vest date.
- The option will vest and become exercisable as to 25% of the shares on April 17, 2008 and 1/48 of the shares each month following April 17, 2008 for 36 months, provided that the Reporting Person continues to serve as an employee through each such vest date.

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