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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Ibrahim Sanford A	g Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RADIAN GROUP INC [RDN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
RADIAN GROUP INC., 1601 MARKET STREET		(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer			
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature o
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	omr Disposed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership

		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
~			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/15/2009		M	10,094.81	A		252,544.81	D	
Common Stock	01/15/2009		D	10,094.81	D	\$ 3.68 (3)	242,450 (4)	D	
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Common stock 3,370 I stock fund

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securiti
				Code V	Ì	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Cash Right	(2)	01/15/2009		M		10,094.81 (2)	12/31/2008	01/31/2009	Common Stock	10,0
common stock	\$ 2.48						08/07/2011	08/07/2015	common stock	253
Common Stock	\$ 56.03						02/07/2007	05/05/2013	Common Stock	35
Common Stock	\$ 46.39						05/05/2006	05/05/2012	Common Stock	60

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Ibrahim Sanford A							

RADIAN GROUP INC. 1601 MARKET STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

X

Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

C. Robert Quint /s/, C. Robert Quint as Power of Attorney 01/20/2009

**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) N/A

Represents a derivative security to be settled in cash at the closing market value of the common stock on the December 31, 2008, less the deemed purchase price of \$0.9265 per share (determined by the puchase price of shares under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of the July 1, 2008 inception date of the offering period.)

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- (3) Closing price on December 31, 2008. See FN 2 above.
- (4) Represents adjusted ownership due to error in reporting of holdings. Ownership includes 2253 shares acquired through participantion in the employee stock purchase plan, 136,600 shares of unvested restricted stock and 100,597 additional shares owned outright

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