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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 * Anand Naveen

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

HALLMARK FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [HALL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

____ Director _____ 10% Owner ____ X__ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

777 MAIN STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year) 08/23/2016

below)

LL1, SUITE 1000 08/23/2010

President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

FORT WORTH, TX 76102

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities
TransactionAcquired (A) or
Code Disposed of (D)
(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

COMMON STOCK

60,300 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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS	<u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	08/23/2016		A	26,293	03/31/2019	03/31/2019	COMMON STOCK
RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS	(3)					03/31/2018	03/31/2018	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Officer Director 10% Owner Other

Anand Naveen 777 MAIN STREET **SUITE 1000** FORT WORTH, TX 76102

President & CEO

Signatures

Steven D. Davidson as Attorney-In-Fact for Naveen Anand

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

08/24/2016

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).

Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive shares of common stock upon satisfaction of vesting requirements and performance criteria. The performance criteria for one-half of the restricted stock units are based on the compound average annual growth rate ("CAAGR") in book value per share from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018, and earn a percentage of a share of common stock per restricted stock unit, as follows: (i) CAAGR less than 7% earns 0%; (ii) 7% CAAGR earns 50%; (iii) 8% CAAGR earns 67%; (iv) 9% CAAGR earns 83%; (v) 10% CAAGR earns 100%; (vi) 11% CAAGR earns 117% shares; (vii) 12% CAAGR earns 133%; and (viii) 13% or greater CAAGR earns 150%.

Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive shares of common stock upon satisfaction of vesting requirements and performance criteria. The performance criteria for one-half of the restricted stock units are based on the net combined ratio ("NCR") for the three year period from January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018, and earn a percentage of a share of common stock per restricted stock unit, as follows: (a) NCR greater than 96% earns 0%; (b) NCR of 95% earns 50%; (c) NCR of 94% earns 60%; (d) NCR of 93% earns 80%; (e) NCR of 92% earns 100%; (f) NCR of 90% earns 110%; (g) NCR of 89% earns 120%; (h) NCR of 88% earns 135%; and (i) NCR less than 87% earns 150%.

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Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive shares of common stock upon satisfaction of vesting requirements and performance criteria. The performance criteria are based on the compound average annual growth rate ("CAAGR") in book value per share from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017, and earn a percentage of a share of common stock per restricted stock unit, as follows: (i) CAAGR less than 9% earns 0%; (ii) 9% CAAGR earns 50%; (iii) 10% CAAGR earns 67%; (iv) 11% CAAGR earns 83%; (v) 12% CAAGR earns 100%; (vi) 13% CAAGR earns 117% shares; (vii) 14% CAAGR earns 133%; and (viii) 15% or greater CAAGR earns 150%.

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