

Dirks Douglas D  
Form 4  
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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 OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Dirks Douglas D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Employers Holdings, Inc. [EIG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

10375 PROFESSIONAL CIRCLE

03/16/2012

President & CEO

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RENO, NV 89521

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	03/16/2012		A	17,300 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	196,109	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	03/16/2012		F	1,984	\$ 17.02	194,125	D
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	03/17/2012		A	1,800 <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0	195,925	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)

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.02	03/16/2012		A	52,800	<u>(3)</u> 03/16/2019	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 52,800
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.02	03/17/2012		A	5,500	<u>(4)</u> 03/17/2019	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 5,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Dirks Douglas D 10375 PROFESSIONAL CIRCLE RENO, NV 89521	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Douglas D.  
Dirks  
03/20/2012  
\*\*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).

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Represents restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2013 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).

- (2) Represents restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 17, 2013 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
- (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2013 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 17, 2013 (subject to the reporting person's continued employment on such dates).

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