

VITAL IMAGES INC
Form 4
January 27, 2009

FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CANAKES STEVEN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**5850 OPUS PARKWAY, SUITE
300**

(Street)

MINNETONKA, MN 55343

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
VITAL IMAGES INC [VTAL]

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

01/26/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Exec VP - Global Sales

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

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)
Common stock <u>(2)</u>	01/26/2009		M	11,076 A	\$ 5.188	20,104	D
Common stock <u>(2)</u>	01/26/2009		M	6,424 A	\$ 5.188	26,528	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)	\$ 5.188	01/26/2009		M	11,076	(3) 02/08/2009	Common stock 11,076
Employee stock option (right to buy)	\$ 5.188	01/26/2009		M	6,424	(3) 02/08/2009	Common stock 6,424

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
CANAKES STEVEN P 5850 OPUS PARKWAY SUITE 300 MINNETONKA, MN 55343	Exec VP - Global Sales

Signatures

/s/ Steven P
Canakes 01/27/2009

__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) In addition, Mr. Canakes has other options totaling 113,500 at various prices and expiration dates.
- (2) Transaction made pursuant to plan adopted under Rule 10b5-1.
- (3) Original grants of 11,076 and 6,424 were fully vested.

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