

SAUL B FRANCIS III  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SAUL B FRANCIS III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SAUL CENTERS INC [BFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 7501 WISCONSIN AVENUE, 15TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/24/2009

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

(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  
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BETHESDA, MD 20814

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Shares	04/24/2009		A		200	A	\$ 32.68
Common Shares					12,000	I	
Common Shares					3,564.192 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	

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 Number Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 25.78					04/26/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/26/2014	Common Stock	40,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 24.91					05/23/2004 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/23/2013	Common Stock	80,000
Stock Option	\$ 25.78					04/26/2004	04/26/2014	Common Stock	2,500
Employee Stock Option	\$ 33.22					05/06/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	05/06/2015	Common Stock	40,000
Phantom Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 23.16 <sup>(2)</sup>					<sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Common Stock	267,700
Stock Option	\$ 33.22					05/06/2005	05/06/2015	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Option	\$ 40.35					05/01/2006	05/01/2016	Common Stock	2,500
Employee Stock Option	\$ 54.17					04/27/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	04/27/2017	Common Stock	40,000
Stock Option	\$ 54.17					04/27/2007	04/27/2017	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					04/25/2008	04/25/2018	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Option	\$ 32.68	04/24/2009		A	2,500	04/24/2009	04/24/2019	Common Stock	2,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SAUL B FRANCIS III 7501 WISCONSIN AVENUE 15TH FLOOR BETHESDA, MD 20814	X		President	

## Signatures

Scott V. Schneider, by Power of Attorney

04/28/2009

\*\*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) The option will vest 25% per year over four years from the date of grant.
- (2) 1 for 1

(3) Pursuant to the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan under its 2004 Stock Plan and the Deferred Fee Agreement executed by the reporting person, the reporting person has elected to defer receipt of his director's fees, and receive phantom stock, the amount of which is calculated as the quotient of the dollar value of fees deferred, divided by the fair market value of the issuer's shares on the date the phantom stock is received.

(4) Effective April 1, 2009, shares formerly held by the B.F. Saul Company Employees' Profit Sharing Reinvestment Trust were distributed to the individual 401(k) plan accounts of participants. The number of shares reported represents the reporting person's beneficial ownership interest in the Saul Centers stock fund of the 401(k) plan.

(5) The conversion of phantom stock into shares of the issuer's common stock is governed pursuant to terms of the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan under its 2004 Stock Plan, as amended, and the reporting person's Deferred Fee Agreement.

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