

FLEISHMAN JOEL LAWRENCE
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
FLEISHMAN JOEL LAWRENCE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**JAMES RIVER GROUP, INC
 [JRVR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**300 MEADOWMONT VILLAGE
 CIRCLE, SUITE 333**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2007

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

(Street)
CHAPEL HILL, NC 27517

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

(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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 12/11/2007 | | D | 12,769 | D 34.5 0 <u>(1)</u> | I | Joel L. Fleishman Revocable Trust |

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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Options to purchase common stock | \$ 10 | 12/11/2007 | | D | 8,120 | (2) 05/14/2013 | Common Stock | 8,120 |
| Options to purchase common stock | \$ 10 | 12/11/2007 | | D | 4,000 | (3) 03/24/2014 | Common Stock | 4,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| FLEISHMAN JOEL LAWRENCE 300 MEADOWMONT VILLAGE CIRCLE SUITE 333 CHAPEL HILL, NC 27517 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ E. Caperton Lauver,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/11/2007

**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) On November 6, 2007, the Company's stockholders approved the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 11, 2007, among the issuer, Franklin Holdings (Bermuda), Ltd. and Franklin Acquisition Corp. (the merger agreement). Pursuant to the merger agreement, the issuer was acquired by Franklin Holdings (Bermuda), Ltd., effective December 11, 2007 (the merger). Subsequent to the closing of the merger, the issuer's common stock ceased to be publicly traded and its registration was terminated with the SEC and NASDAQ. Pursuant to the terms of the merger agreement, each option to purchase shares of the issuer's common stock, whether vested or unvested, was

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cancelled in exchange for either a cash payment or for options in Franklin Holdings II (Bermuda), Ltd. (a private company and wholly-owned subsidiary of Franklin Holdings (Bermuda), Ltd.).

- (2) This option, which provided for vesting in four equal annual installments beginning 5/15/2003, was cancelled in accordance with the merger agreement pursuant to which the reporting person is entitled to receive a cash payment equal to the difference between \$34.50 and the strike price of the underlying option multiplied by the number of options cancelled in connection with the merger, without interest, and less any required withholding taxes. Reflects 10-for-1 common stock split effective 8/08/2005.

- (3) This option, which provided for vesting in four equal annual installments beginning 3/25/2004, was cancelled in accordance with the merger agreement pursuant to which the reporting person is entitled to receive a cash payment equal to the difference between \$34.50 and the strike price of the underlying option multiplied by the number of options cancelled in connection with the merger, without interest, and less any required withholding taxes. Reflects 10-for-1 common stock split effective 8/08/2005.

Remarks:

Ms. E. Caperton Lauver was granted power of attorney to sign this Form 4 on behalf of Mr. Fleishman.

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