

NORRIS CRAIG A  
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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 \*  
NORRIS CRAIG A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PROVIDENCE SERVICE CORP  
[PRSC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5524 E. FOURTH STREET  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/12/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Operating Officer

TUCSON, AZ 85711

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)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	6. Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/12/2006		M	20,000	A	\$ 19.56	20,000	D
Common Stock	04/12/2006		S	20,000	D	\$ 33.632	0	D
Common Stock	04/12/2006		M	5,000	A	\$ 20.62	5,000	D
Common Stock	04/12/2006		S	5,000	D	\$ 33.632	0	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.56	04/12/2006		M	20,000	<u>(1)</u> 07/26/2014	Common Stock	20,000
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.62	04/12/2006		M	5,000	<u>(1)</u> 02/16/2015	Common Stock	5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NORRIS CRAIG A 5524 E. FOURTH STREET TUCSON, AZ 85711			Chief Operating Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Katherine Blute,  
Attorney-in-fact  
Date: 04/12/2006

\*\*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) Immediately

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