

HIBBETT SPORTS INC  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
NEWSOME MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

451 INDUSTRIAL LANE

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HIBBETT SPORTS INC [HIBB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/10/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(4)</sub>	03/10/2009 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		A	5,000 <sub>(4)</sub>	A \$ 0 218,830	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(6)</sup>	\$ 0	03/10/2009 <sup>(2)</sup>		A	15,000	<sup>(6)</sup> / <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock 15
Common Stock Options, 2005 Equity Incentive Plan <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 18	03/17/2009		A	46,800	03/17/2010 <sup>(5)</sup> / 03/17/2017 <sup>(5)</sup>	Common Stock 46

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NEWSOME MICHAEL J 451 INDUSTRIAL LANE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211	X		CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael J. Newsome  
03/19/2009  
 \*\*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) Performance-based RSU award under Amended 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. One year cliff vesting from date of grant upon achievement of performance criteria.
- (2) Certification date of achievement of performance by Hibbett's Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. Granted 3/18/2008 subject to performance criteria.
- (3) These shares will not expire; cliff vest at 100% on the fifth anniversary of the date of grant of 3/18/2008.
- (4) Restricted Stock Unit awarded converts to common stock upon release.

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- (5) Stock Options granted under the Amended 2005 Equity Incentive Plan vest equally over 4 years beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant and expire on the eighth anniversary of the date of grant.
- (6) Performance-based RSU awarded under Amended 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. Five year cliff vesting from date of grant upon achievement of performance criteria.

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