

CLARK JONATHAN C

Form 4

January 31, 2012

**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 \*  
**CLARK JONATHAN C**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE

(Street)

NEWARK, DE 19713

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**SLM CORP [SLM]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/27/2012

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 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

EVP &amp; CFO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/27/2012		F	6,772 D	\$ 81,903 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup> 15.13 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	01/28/2012		F	1,238 D	\$ 80,665 <sup>(4)</sup> 15.13	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2012		F	619 D	\$ 80,046 <sup>(5)</sup> 15.13	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CLARK JONATHAN C 300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE NEWARK, DE 19713			EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Carol R. Rakatansky (POA) for Jonathan C.  
Clark

01/31/2012

\_\_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).

- As previously reported, on January 27, 2011, Jonathan C. Clark was granted 45,000 restricted stock units (RSUs) and 15,505 bonus RSUs representing rights to receive shares of the Company's common stock in the future, which grant was approved by the Compensation and Personnel Committee (the "Compensation Committee") of the Board of Directors of SLM Corporation (the "Company"). One-third of
- (1) these RSUs and bonus RSUs vest on first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date. On January 27, 2012, 15,000 RSUs and 5,169 bonus RSUs vested and 426 additional shares were issued to Mr. Clark upon the vesting of the related dividend equivalent rights, of which 6,772 shares were withheld by the Company (as approved by the Compensation Committee) to satisfy Mr. Clark's tax withholding obligations.
  - (2) Awards granted to Mr. Clark on January 27, 2011, were originally reported as Restricted Stock Units. As permitted, we have reclassified them as "Common Stock" because these RSU awards will be settled solely by delivery of shares in the Company's common stock.
  - (3) Dividend equivalent rights issued on unvested restricted stock and RSUs are included in Mr. Clark's common stock holding balance.
  - (4) As previously reported, on January 28, 2010, Mr. Clark was granted 10,000 restricted shares of the Company's common stock, which grant was approved by the Compensation Committee. One-third of these restricted shares vest on first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date. On January 28, 2012, 3,333 shares of such restricted stock vested and 69 additional shares were issued to Mr. Clark upon the vesting of the related dividend equivalent rights, of which 1,238 shares were withheld by the Company (as approved by the

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Compensation Committee) to satisfy Mr. Clark's tax withholding obligations.

- As previously reported, on January 29, 2009, Mr. Clark was granted 5,000 restricted shares of the Company's common stock, which grant was approved by the Compensation Committee. One-third of these restricted shares vest on first, second and third anniversaries of the grant date. On January 29, 2012, 1,667 shares of such restricted stock vested and 34 additional shares were issued to Mr. Clark upon the vesting of the related dividend equivalent rights, of which 619 shares were withheld by the Company (as approved by the Compensation Committee) to satisfy Mr. Clark's tax withholding obligations.

### Remarks:

#### Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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