

SCANSOFT INC
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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 *
PHILLIPS MICHAEL S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O SCANSOFT, INC., 9
CENTENNIAL DRIVE**

(Street)

PEABODY, MA 01960

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SCANSOFT INC [SSFT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/27/2004

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)
CTO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/27/2004		S ⁽¹⁾	10,000 D	\$ 4.1047 1,095,402	D	
Common Stock					8,428	I	by Spouse
Common Stock					34,400	I	by 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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.31					08/15/2004 ⁽²⁾	08/15/2013	Common Stock	250,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.67					05/24/2004 ⁽³⁾	02/24/2011	Common Stock	75,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PHILLIPS MICHAEL S C/O SCANSOFT, INC. 9 CENTENNIAL DRIVE PEABODY, MA 01960			CTO	

Signatures

By: /s/ Donna Belanger For: Michael S Phillips
Date: 12/29/2004

**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) These shares were sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 Sales Plan.
- (2) These options vest 25% on first anniversary date and monthly thereafter for a total 4 year vest period.
- (3) These options vest quarterly in equal installments over a three-year period.

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