

DOUGLASS SAM P  
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June 22, 2010

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**  
**SCHEDULE 13D**  
**Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**(Amendment No. 6)\***  
**Equus Total Return, Inc.**

(Name of Issuer)

**Common Stock, par value \$0.001**

(Title of Class of Securities)

294766100

(CUSIP Number)

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**and**

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

**May 17, 2010**

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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### EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 6 to Schedule 13D (this Amendment ), among other things, amends and supplements the Schedule 13D originally filed by Sam P. Douglass and Equus Corporation International on May 27, 1997, as amended by Amendment No. 1 thereto filed on June 4, 2009, Amendment No. 2 thereto filed on November 27, 2009, Amendment No. 3 thereto filed on March 1, 2010, Amendment No. 4 thereto filed on March 29, 2010 and Amendment No. 5 thereto filed on April 5, 2010 (the Schedule 13D ).

Unless set forth below, all previous Items of the Schedule 13D are unchanged. Capitalized terms used herein which are not defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 13D.

#### **Item 2. Identity and Background.**

Item 2 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the paragraph below, with effect from the date of this Amendment, as follows:

In connection with the conclusion of the Issuer's 2010 annual meeting of stockholders, Messrs. Funston, Tuggle and Boyd terminated their arrangement with the other Reporting Persons with respect to the voting of securities of the Issuer effective as of the date of this Amendment. Accordingly, Messrs. Funston, Tuggle and Boyd are no longer members of the Section 13(d) group and ceased to be Reporting Persons as of the date of this Amendment. The remaining Reporting Persons (the Remaining Reporting Persons ) intend to continue filing as a group statements on Schedule 13D with respect to their beneficial ownership of securities of the Issuer, to the extent required by applicable law.

#### **Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.**

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety, with effect from the date of this Amendment, as follows:

The Remaining Reporting Persons originally acquired shares of the Issuer's Common Stock reported in the Schedule 13D in connection with director and officer positions held by Mr. and Mrs. Douglass with the Issuer and for investment purposes. Due to dissatisfaction with the Issuer's performance and other reasons, the Reporting Persons conducted a proxy contest to replace the Issuer's directors at its 2010 annual meeting of stockholders. Although the Reporting Persons' nominees received a substantial percentage of the votes cast at the 2010 annual meeting, their candidates were not elected to the board of directors.

The Remaining Reporting Persons intend to monitor closely the Issuer's performance and actions taken by its board of directors and to review their investments in the Issuer on a continuing basis. Depending on the actions taken by the board of directors, subsequent developments concerning the Issuer, the Issuer's business and prospects, the price and availability of shares of Common Stock, general market and economic conditions and other factors deemed relevant, the Reporting Persons may decide at any time to formulate plans or proposals with respect to the Issuer that relate to or that would result in any of the transactions or other matters specified in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including, without limitation, changes in the board of directors (including the number of directors) or management of the Issuer, extraordinary corporate transactions, other material changes in the Issuer's business or corporate structure and acquiring additional securities of the Issuer or disposing of any or all of the securities of the Issuer that they hold. Without limiting the foregoing, the Remaining Reporting Persons may hold discussions with third parties or with members of management or the board of directors of the Issuer in which the Reporting Persons may suggest or take a position with respect to potential changes in the operations, strategy, board of directors, management or capital structure of the Issuer as a means of enhancing shareholder value. The Remaining Reporting Persons may reconsider or reformulate their position, plans or proposals with respect to the Issuer at any time.

**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.**

Item 5(e) of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and restated in its entirety, with effect from the date of this Amendment, as follows:

(e) As a result of the termination of their arrangement with the Remaining Reporting Persons with respect to the Issuer effective as of the date of this Amendment, Messrs. Funston, Tuggle and Boyd have ceased to be beneficial owners of more than 5% of the securities of the Issuer.

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.**

Item 6 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the paragraph below, with effect from the date of this Amendment, as follows:

In connection with the conclusion of the Issuer's 2010 annual meeting of stockholders, Messrs. Funston, Tuggle and Boyd terminated their arrangement with the Remaining Reporting Persons with respect to the voting of securities of the Issuer effective as of the date of this Amendment. Accordingly, Messrs. Funston, Tuggle and Boyd are no longer members of the Section 13(d) group and ceased to be Reporting Persons as of the date of this Amendment. The Remaining Reporting Persons intend to continue filing as a group statements on Schedule 13D with respect to their beneficial ownership of securities of the Issuer, to the extent required by applicable law.

**SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: June 22, 2010

/s/ Sam P. Douglass  
Sam P. Douglass, Individually

/s/ Paula T. Douglass  
Paula T. Douglass, Individually

/s/ Sam P. Douglass  
Sam P. Douglass, as Trustee of Douglass  
Trust IV for the Benefit of S. Preston  
Douglass, Jr.

/s/ Sam P. Douglass  
Sam P. Douglass, as Trustee of Douglass  
Trust IV for the Benefit of Brooke  
Douglass

/s/ Sam P. Douglass  
Sam P. Douglass, as Trustee of Tiel Trust  
for the Benefit of Sam P. Douglass

/s/ Paula T. Douglass  
Paula T. Douglass, as Trustee of Tiel Trust  
for the Benefit of Paula T. Douglass

/s/ Lance T. Funston  
Lance T. Funston

/s/ Dr. Francis D. Tuggle  
Dr. Francis D. Tuggle

/s/ Charles M. Boyd  
Charles M. Boyd