

MASCHMEIER STEPHANIE
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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 *
 MASCHMEIER STEPHANIE

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY,
 SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/05/2012

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

(Street)
 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)	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				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price	1,107	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)

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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	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(2)	03/05/2012		I	415.25	(1)	(3)	Common Stock	415.25
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.1					02/02/2013	02/01/2017	Common Stock	3,720
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.96					02/03/2012	02/02/2016	Common Stock	3,730
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.39					05/02/2014	05/01/2018	Common Stock	3,290
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.5					02/02/2015	02/02/2019	Common Stock	4,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MASCHMEIER STEPHANIE 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, SUITE 400 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097			Controller	

Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R.
Maschmeier

03/07/2012

**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).

(1) Immediate

(2) The conversion rate of this derivative security on March 5, 2012 is 0.847 resulting in 4,148.42 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).

(3) The shares of phantom stock become payable, in stock, upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee, in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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