

Poitras Kevin J
Form 4
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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 *
Poitras Kevin J

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORP
[GD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS
CORPORATION, 2941 FAIRVIEW
PARK DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/02/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President

(Street)
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	05/02/2012		A	870	A \$ 0 7,500	D	
Common Stock, \$1.00 par value	05/02/2012		A	870 ⁽¹⁾	A \$ 0 8,370	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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 67.9	05/02/2012		A		9,250		<u>(2)</u>	05/01/2019	Common Stock	9,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Poitras Kevin J
C/O GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION
2941 FAIRVIEW PARK DRIVE
FALLS CHURCH, VA 22042

Vice President

Signatures

Neal Wheeler, by power of attorney 05/04/2012

**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) Represents a target number of restricted stock units ("RSUs") each of which entitles the Reporting Person to receive one share of General Dynamics common stock. The number of RSUs ultimately earned by the Reporting Person will be determined based on a performance metric tied to return on invested capital during the year of grant, and may range from 0% to 200% of the target amount. Following the performance period, the earned RSUs are subject to an additional three year time-vesting period.

(2) Fifty percent will become exercisable 5/2/2013 and the remaining fifty percent will become exercisable 5/2/2014.

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