Sabatino Michael Form 4 March 21, 2007

## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

may continue.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Sabatino Michael

(First)

(Middle)

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950 THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

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

03/19/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

**OMB APPROVAL** 

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January 31,

2005

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7. Nature

of Indirect

Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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Number:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP & Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

5. Amount of

Securities

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of Security

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

or Indirect (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

D

D

Form:

Ownership

Direct (D)

Code V Amount (D) Class A Subordinate **Voting Shares** 

Class A Subordinate 03/19/2007

03/20/2007

F 4,548

14,006

Α

(A)

or

Price

 $21,452 \frac{(2)}{2}$ 

35,458 <sup>(3)</sup>

 $26,000 \frac{(1)}{2}$ 

D

Restricted Stock Class A Shares

Performance-Based

**Voting Shares** 

**Financial** 

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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5.

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount of

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	f TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Underlying Secu	ırities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Y	ear)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e			
	Derivative				Securities	3			
	Security				Acquired				
					(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3,				
					4, and 5)				
						Date	Expiration	Title	Amoun
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Share
Stock Appreciation Rights (4)	\$ 9.52					04/01/2006	03/30/2009	Class A Subordinate	50,00
								Voting Shares	

## **Reporting Owners**

2.

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sabatino Michael C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 950 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

**SVP & Chief Accounting Officer** 

#### **Signatures**

1. Title of

/s/ Michael Sabatino 03/21/2007

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

### **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).

Includes 25,000 Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer, awarded February 28, 2006. 12,500 Shares were deemed to have fully vested on March 15, 2007. The remaining portion may vest in 2008 and / or 2009 if the Issuer achieves

(1) specified financial performance targets in 2007 - 2008, and is dependent upon continued employment. Such financial targets are set forth in a "Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock Agreement", a form of which was filed by the Issuer as an exhibit to a Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 2, 2006.

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At the time the 12,500 Shares vested, the Reporting Person elected to have 4,548 of the fully vested Class A Shares withheld to satisfy I.R.S. withholding, and the remaining 7,952 fully-vested, unrestricted Shares were issued.

- A portion of the Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer awarded March 20, 2007 may vest in each of 2008, 2009, or 2010 if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2007, 2008, and 2010, and is dependent upon continued employment.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Rights (previously granted on November 17, 2004) vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, expire four years from the grant date, and may be settled in cash or stock at the discretion of the Issuer.

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