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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 *
Doft David B.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950
THIRD AVENUE
(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/10/2009

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)
Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (D) Price (A) or (D) | | |
| Class A Shares | | | | | 70,185 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Class A Shares | 08/10/2009 | | F | | 3,111 D \$ 6.51 | D | |
| Class A Shares | | | | | 1,000 ⁽³⁾ | I | (See FN 3) |

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 |
| Stock Appreciation Rights ⁽⁴⁾ | \$ 3.72 | 02/12/2009 | | A | 128,205 | 02/12/2010 | 02/12/2014 | Class A Shares | 128,205 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Doft David B. C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 950 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ David B. Doft
08/11/2009

**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) Includes a total of 50,954 Class A Shares of Restricted Stock, which are not yet vested.
This transaction involves the vesting of 7,500 Class A Shares of Restricted Stock on August 10, 2009. On August 11, 2009, the Reporting Person elected to have 3,111 Class A Shares withheld to satisfy I.R.S. withholding taxes, and the remaining 4,389 fully-vested Class A Shares were issued to the Reporting Person.
- (3) Held in a UTMA account for benefit of a minor child of the Reporting Person.
SAR's granted February 12, 2009, vest 33% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 33% on the second anniversary of the grant date, and 34% on the third anniversary of the grant date, and expire on February 12, 2014. These SAR's may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.

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