

CROWN LESTER
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CROWN LESTER

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)
222 N LASALLE STREET, SUITE 2000
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2005

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

CHICAGO, IL 60601

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common Stock | 01/03/2005 | | J | A | 163 | 456,039 | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 2,411.0327 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,876,556 | I | See fn. ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 152,400 | I | See fn. ⁽⁴⁾ |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CROWN LESTER 222 N LASALLE STREET SUITE 2000 CHICAGO, IL 60601 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Lester Crown 01/05/2005
 **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).
- (1) Adjustment to the number of shares of Performance Restricted Stock at the end of the performance period ending 12/31/2004.
- (2) Represents equivalent share units held in the Reporting Person's account in the General Dynamics Stock Fund established pursuant to the Corporation's Salaried Savings and Stock Investment Plan (401(k) plan) approved by the shareholders.
- (3) Owned by a partnership - The Crown Fund (of which the Reporting Person is a partner)
- (4) Owned by a partnership - Crown Fund II (of which the Reporting Person is a partner)

Remarks:

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The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares described in footnotes 3 and 4, except to the extent of his b

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