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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 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person – STELLJES GEORGE III	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GLADSTONE CAPITAL CORP [GLAD]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) _X_ Director10% Owner			
(Last) (First) 1616 ANDERSON ROAD, SUITE 2	00	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/20/2003					X_Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)    Chief Investment Officer/EVP			
(Street) MCLEAN, VA 22102	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 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)	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		f(D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Beneficial Ownership
			Code	V	Amount	· · ·	Price		(Instr. 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)															
-	Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities (Month/		(Month/Day	Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$19.56	08/20/2003		А		50,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/19/2013	Common Stock	50,000	\$19.56	50,000	D	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
STELLJES GEORGE III 1616 ANDERSON ROAD SUITE 208 MCLEAN, VA 22102	Х		Chief Investment Officer/EVP						

## Signatures

Skye Breeden, Attorney-in-fact	08/20/2003	
**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) Fifty percent of the shares underlying this option are immediately exercisable and 50% vest on 8/20/2004.

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