FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| (Print or Type | e Responses) | | | | | | | | | _ | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------------|--|---|-------|-------------|------|--|--|--|--|----------------|--|--|-------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ENGLISH MICHELA A | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GLADSTONE CAPITAL CORP [GLAD] | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O GLADSTONE CAPITAL CORPORATION, 1616 ANDERSON ROAD, SUITE 208 | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2004 | | | | | | - | Officer (giv | e title below) | Other | (specify below) | |
| (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 PersonForm filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu | | | | | | es Acquire | Lired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | |
| 1.Title of Sec (Instr. 3) | curity | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | on D | ate, if Co | | 8) (| A Securities Acquain A) or Disposed constr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D) | of (D) O Ti | Amount of S wned Follow ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4) | ing Reported | d C F I c | Ownership of orm: | Beneficial Ownership |
| Reminder: Ro | eport on a se | parate line for each o | Table II - | Derivativ | ve Se | ecurities . | Acqu | Person in this a curre | s who respond form are not re ntly valid OME osed of, or Bene nvertible securi | equired t 3 control ficially O | to respond I number. | | | | 174 (9-02) |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | on Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. if Transaction Code | | 5. Number | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration e Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 22.56 | 02/18/2004 | | A | | 10,000 | | (1) | 02/17/2014 | Comm | = 110.000 | \$ 22.56 | 10,000 | D | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| ENGLISH MICHELA A C/O GLADSTONE CAPITAL CORPORATION 1616 ANDERSON ROAD, SUITE 208 MCLEAN, VA 22102 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

| Skye Breeden, Attorney-in-fact | 02/18/2004 |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| **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) Shares subject to the option vest in two equal annual installments of 5,000 shares on the first and second anniversaries of the Date of Grant

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