

KELLIHER MATTHEW

Form 4

January 02, 2009

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KELLIHER MATTHEW

(Last) (First) (Middle)

701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD

(Street)

FRANKLIN, TN 37067

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

HEALTHWAYS, INC [HWAY]

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

12/30/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President, International

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	337	I	Held in 401(k) Plan

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)**

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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 or Number of Shares
Option to Buy	\$ 43.44	12/30/2008		D		13,092		08/24/2009	08/24/2012	Common Stock	13,092
Option to Buy	\$ 42.69	12/30/2008		D		12,445		10/02/2010	10/02/2013	Common Stock	12,445
Option to Buy	\$ 55.01	12/30/2008		D		12,543		10/08/2011	10/08/2014	Common Stock	12,543

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
KELLIHER MATTHEW 701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	President, International

Signatures

/s/ Mary A. Chaput, by power of attorney for Matthew Kelliher 01/02/2009

__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) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on August 24, 2005. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$3,796.68.
 - (2) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on October 2, 2006. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$6,098.05.
 - (3) On December 30, 2008, the issuer cancelled, pursuant to the issuer's option purchase program, an option granted to the reporting person on October 8, 2007. In exchange for the option, the reporting person received \$6,396.93.

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