WEINBERG JAY M

Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WEINBERG JAY M Issuer Symbol MARKEL CORP [MKL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O MARKEL 02/23/2009 below) CORPORATION, 4521 **HIGHWOODS PKWY** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 7. Nature of 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Common 2,608.3105 J(1)02/23/2009 D 7.146 (2) Stock 292.53

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)	Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	Amou Under Secur	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Title Number of Shares	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date	Title			

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WEINBERG JAY M C/O MARKEL CORPORATION 4521 HIGHWOODS PKWY GLEN ALLEN, VA 23060



Signatures

Kathryn H. Robinson, Attorney-in-fact for Jay M. Weinberg

02/24/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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 acquired pursuant to, or bonus shares granted under, Employee Stock Purchase and Bonus Plan.
- (2) Includes 200 shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the Markel Corporation Omnibus Incentive Plan.

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