

DANIELSON HOLDING CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
ZELL SAMUEL		(Month/Day/Year)	DANIELSON HOLDING CORP [DHC]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	09/19/2005	
TWO N. RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 600			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
CHICAGO, IL 60606			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			(give title below)	(specify below)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$0.10 par value	25,418	I	By spouse, as Trustee of Helen Zell Revocable Trust ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock, \$0.10 par value	23,176,282	I	By trusts ⁽²⁾

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)
		Title			

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZELL SAMUEL TWO N. RIVERSIDE PLAZA, SUITE 600 CHICAGO, IL 60606	X	X	X	X

Signatures

/s/ Samuel Zell 09/20/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Such shares of Common Stock are beneficially owned by the Helen Zell Revocable Trust ("HZRT"). Samuel Zell's spouse, Helen Zell, is the trustee of HZRT. Samuel Zell disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares held by HZRT except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
 - (2) Such shares of Common Stock are beneficially owned by SZ Investments, L.L.C. ("SZ"), EGI-Fund (05-07) Investors, L.L.C. ("Fund 05-07") and Equity Group Investments, L.L.C. ("EGI"). SZ, Fund 05-07, and EGI are each indirectly controlled by various trusts established for the benefit of Samuel Zell and his family, the trustee of each of which is Chai Trust Company, L.L.C. ("Chai Trust"). Samuel Zell is not a director or officer of Chai Trust and disclaims beneficial ownership of all such shares of Common Stock, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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