

3COM CORP  
Form 4  
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**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CLAFLIN BRUCE L**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

350 CAMPUS DRIVE

(Street)

MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**3COM CORP [COMS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**07/01/2005**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below)

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 07/01/2005                              |                                                             | A                                    | Amount<br>400,000<br>(1)                                                | \$ 0                                                                                                               | 927,500                                                              | D                                                                 |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 199,178                                                                                                            | I                                                                    | by Trust<br>(2)                                                   |

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)

| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | Code V (A) (D)                 |                                                                                         | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount Number of Shares                               |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)  | \$ 3.58                                                | 07/01/2005                           |                                                    | A                              | 500,000                                                                                 | <u>(3)</u> 07/01/2012                                    | Common Stock 500,000                                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|                                                                   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| CLAFLIN BRUCE L<br>350 CAMPUS DRIVE<br>MARLBOROUGH, MA 01752-3064 | X             |           | President and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Bruce Claflin 07/05/2005  
 \*\*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) Non-Derivative shares were awarded pursuant to 3Com Corporation's 2003 Stock Plan. These shares cannot be sold until vesting requirements have been met.
- (2) These shares are held in a revocable trust under the name of Bruce L. Claflin and Karen C. Claflin, TTEES, Bruce and Karen Claflin Family Trust
- (3) Shares granted become exercisable in equal installments over four years on the anniversary of the grant date.

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