

FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TEGAL CORP /DE/ [TGAL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) _____		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/06/2003					
153 E 53RD ST, 55TH FL								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
NEW YORK, NY 10022								
(City)			(State)			(Zip)		

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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)				Price
Common Stock	12/06/2003		S		14,000	D	\$ 2.95	7,619,109	I	By Limited Partnerships
Common Stock	12/06/2003		S		180,000	D	\$ 2.9859	7,439,109	I	By Limited Partnerships
Common Stock	12/08/2003		S		135,000	D	\$ 2.868	7,304,109 (1)	I (1)	By Limited Partnerships (1)

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Convertible Bonds	\$ 0.35	12/06/2003		C		67,900		09/10/2003	09/09/2011	Common Stock	194,000	\$ 0.35	2,103,695	I	By Limited Partnerships
Convertible Bonds	\$ 0.35	12/08/2003		C		47,250		09/10/2003	09/09/2003	Common Stock	135,000	\$ 0.35	2,056,445	I	By Limited Partnerships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARXE AUSTIN W & GREENHOUSE DAVID M 153 E 53RD ST 55TH FL NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		

Signatures

Austin W. Marxe		12/09/2003
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		Date
David M. Greenhouse		12/09/2003
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>		Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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This is a joint filing by Austin W. Marxe (Marxe) and David M. Greenhouse (Greenhouse). They share voting and investment control over all securities owned by Special Situations Private Equity Fund, LP (PE), Special Situations Technology Fund, L.P. (Tech) and Special Situations Technology II, L.P. (Tech II), respectively. 1,234,805 Bond Cvt for 3,528,014 Common Shares

(1) & 857,131 Wts are held by PE, 134,007 Bonds Cvt for 382,877 Common Shares & 93,515 Wts are held by Tech and 687,633 Bonds Cvt for 1,964,665 Common Shares & 477,906 Wts are held by Tech II. The interest of Marx and Greenhouse in the above shares owned by PE, Tech, and Tech II is limited to the extent of his pecuniary interest.

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