## FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type l	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 X 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 153 E 53RD ST, 55TH FL				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2004							Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)				
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  X. Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
NEW YORK, NY 10022 (City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui							ired, 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)		(Instr. 8)		(A) or 3	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)		d C	Ownership I orm:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			(World) Bay/ 1 Co		Code	· V	Amou	(A) or int (D)	Price	(msu. 3 and 4)	out of the office of the other		Indirect (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 01/16/2004			01/16/2004			S		235,18	83 D	\$ 4,946,426 3.8679		I		By Limited Partnerships	
Common Stock		01/20/2004			S		189,00 (1)	D D	\$ 3.7339	4,757,426 <sup>(1)</sup>		I	<u>(1)</u> J	By Limited Partnerships	
			Table II				in t a c juired, l	this for currentl Disposed	m are no y valid O d of, or Be	t require MB cont neficially	he collection ed to respond trol number. y Owned				C 1474 (9-02)
Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year	Execution Date, if Transaction of Expiration Date		7. Title of Und Securi	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form of Derivativ Security: Direct (D or Indirect	(Instr. 4)					
				Code	V (A	(D)	Date Exercis		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Convertible Bonds	\$ 0.35	01/16/2004		С		82,600	09/10/	2003	09/09/201	1 Comr Stoo	12.50.000	\$ 0.35	1,230,970	I	By Limited Partnerships
Convertible Bonds	\$ 0.35	01/20/2004		С		65,975	09/10/	2003	09/09/201	1 Comr Stoo	1188.500	\$ 0.35	1,164,995	I	By Limited Partnerships

### **Reporting Owners**

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

#### **Signatures**

Austin W. Marxe	01/21/2004
Signature of Reporting Person	Date
David M. Greenhouse	01/21/2004
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).

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, L.P. (PE), Special Situations Technology Fund, LP (Tech) and Special Situations Technology II, Fund, L.P. (Tech II), respectively. 700,880 Bonds Cvt for 2,002,514 Common (1) Stock and 857,131 Wts are held by PE, 75,627 Bonds Cvt for 216,077 Common Stock and 93,515 Wts are held by Tech and 317 Common Stock, 388,488 Bonds Cvt for 1,109,966 Common Stock and 477,906 Wts are held by Tech II. The interest of Marxe and Greenhouse in the shares of Common Stock owned by PE, Tech, and Tech II is limited to the extent of his pecuniary

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