CANAKES STEVEN P

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CANAKES STEVEN P Issuer Symbol VITAL IMAGES INC [VTAL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 5850 OPUS PARKWAY, SUITE 12/23/2005 below) 300 Exec VP - Global Sales (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Applicable Line)

MINNETONKA, MN 55343 (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Secu	irities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)			Securities Form	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4 ar (A o Amount (E	A) r	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock (1)	12/23/2005		M	5,000 A	\$ 4.75	11,000	D	
Common stock (1)	12/23/2005		S	5,000 D	\$ 27	6,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 4.75	12/23/2005		M	5,000	05/12/1999	05/12/2007	Common stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CANAKES STEVEN P 5850 OPUS PARKWAY SUITE 300 MINNETONKA, MN 55343

Exec VP - Global Sales

Signatures

Steven P Canakes 12/28/2005

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Transaction made pursuant to plan adopted under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) In addition, Mr. Canakes has other options totaling 103,000 at various prices and expiration dates.

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