

SAUL B FRANCIS III
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SAUL B FRANCIS III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SAUL CENTERS INC [BFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 7501 WISCONSIN AVENUE, 15TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/03/2005

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BETHESDA, MD 20814

(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)
Common Shares				(A) or (D)	2,176.955 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Shares				(A) or (D)	12,000	I	Beneficiary of Trust

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

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Includes 144.252 shares (\$31.5250/share) awarded October 29, 2004 as dividend reinvestments on shares of phantom stock held by the reporting person pursuant to the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan under its 2004 Stock Plan and shares of phantom stock issued under the issuer's Deferred Compensation and Stock Plan for Directors.

- (6) Pursuant to the issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan under its 2004 Stock Plan and the Deferred Fee Agreement executed by the reporting person, the reporting person has elected to defer receipt of his director's fees, and receive phantom stock, the amount of which is calculated as the quotient of the dollar value of fees deferred, divided by the fair market value of the issuer's shares on the date the phantom stock is received.

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