FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

|   | OMB APPROVAL             |           |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GILMARTIN RAYMOND V |   |   |                          |         |       |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ] |       |                     |  |                      |   |   |                     |  | hip of Reportion pplicable) ector                         | •   | Person(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner |  |
|---|---|---|--------------------------|---------|-------|--|--|-------|---------------------|--|----------------------|---|---|---------------------|--|---|---|----------------------------------|--|
| (Last)  |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/18/2010 |                          |         |       |  |  |       |                     |  |                      |   | icer (give title<br>ow)   |                     | Other (specify below)  |   |   |                                  |  |
| ONE MICROSOFT WAY  (Street)  REDMOND WA 98052-639             |   |   |                          | 99      | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |  |       |                     |  |                      |   |   |                     | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |                                  |  |
| (City)  | (SI   |   | zip)<br><b>e I - Nor</b> | n-Deriv | ative | Se   | curiti   | es Ac | guired              | Dis  | posed o              | of. or  | Bene  | efici               | ally Ow  | ned   |   |                                  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D      |   |   |                          |         |       |  | ction 2A. Deer   |       | 3.<br>Trans<br>Code | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.                              |                      | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) |   |                     | 5. A<br>nd Sec<br>Ben<br>Owi   | nount of<br>irities<br>eficially<br>ed Following<br>orted | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |                                  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |
|   |   |   |                          |         |       |  |  | Code  | v                   | Amount   |                      | (A) or<br>(D)   | Pric  | Trai                | saction(s)<br>r. 3 and 4)  |   |   | (11341.4)                        |  |
| Common  | Stock   |   | 3/2010                   | 2010    |       |  | A  |       | 1,209               | (1)  | A                    | \$  | 0   | 29,659              |  |   |   |                                  |  |
| Common  | Stock   |   |                          |         |       |  |  |       |                     |  |                      | 1,200(2)  | I   |                     | By<br>spouse   |   |   |                                  |  |
|   |   | Та  |                          |         |       |  |  |       |                     |  | osed of,<br>onvertib |   |   |                     | y Owne   | d   |   |                                  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)                  | ate Execution Date,      |         |       | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                  |  | of    |                     | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                      |   | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                     | 8. Price of<br>Derivativ<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   |   | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | (D)<br>irect                     | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |   |   |                          |         | Code  | v  | (A)  | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisa    |  | Expiration<br>Date   | Title   | or<br>Nun<br>of   | ount<br>ober<br>res |  |   |   |                                  |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents stock award which is fully vested on the date of grant.
- 2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

## Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Raymond V. Gilmartin

08/19/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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).

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