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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement HEALTHWAYS, INC [HWAY] Richards R Claiborne Jr (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person FRANKLIN, TNÂ 37067 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One VP, General Counsel Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Restricted Stock Units D 18,157 Common Stock 211 I Held in 401(k) Plan Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect 1. Title of Derivative 2. Date Exercisable and Security **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 4) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of Ownership (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative (Instr. 5) Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option to Buy	02/12/2010(1)	02/12/2019	Common Stock	17,380	\$ 11.57	D	Â
Option to Buy	05/11/2010(1)	05/11/2019	Common Stock	2,500	\$ 11.51	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Richards R Claiborne Jr 701 COOL SPRINGS BLVD FRANKLIN, TN 37067	Â	Â	VP, General Counsel	Â	

Signatures

/s/ R. Claiborne Richards, Jr.	02/08/2010		
**Signature of Reporting	Date		

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Option vests 25% per year beginning on this date.

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