

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC.  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 AYLWARD GEORGE R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/15/2011

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

C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC., 100 PEARL STREET

(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

HARTFORD, CT 06103

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |                 |   |           |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---|-----------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Amount  |  |                                   |                 |   |           |
|  |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   | Price                             |                 |   |           |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/15/2011                           |  | A                              | (1)   | 13,496  | A  | \$ 0                              | 100,368.068 (3) | D |           |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/15/2011                           |  | A                              | (2)   | 2,000   | A  | \$ 0                              | 102,368.068 (3) | D |           |
| Common Stock, par                        |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |                                   | 70.031          | I | By 401(k) |



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This number represents incentive grant for continuing leadership; incentive grant is subject to cliff vesting three (3) years from the date of grant on March 15, 2014.

- This number includes (i) 732,549 shares acquired in connection with the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan; (ii) 21,256 RSUs that (3) are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2012 and (iii) 34,680 RSUs that are scheduled to cliff vest on April 20, 2012. RSUs will be settled for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon vesting.

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