

FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KOPETIC THOMAS F (Last) (First) (Middle) 400 EAST ANDERSON LANE (Street) AUSTIN TX 78714-9151 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CITIZENS, INC. CIA	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director ____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below) VP, CFO & Treasurer
3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A. Deemed Execu- tion Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owner- ship (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Citizens, Inc. Class A Common Stock (1)	10/06/2008		L	18.2129	A	\$8.21	18.2129	D	

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 Instructions 4(b)(v).

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

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Year (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses: See attached footnote page.

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see 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a)

/s/Thomas F. Kopetic

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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FOOTNOTES

These shares were purchased through the Citizens Stock Investment Plan as part of regular monthly payroll deduction.