

Stern Alexander F.  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Stern Alexander F.		(Month/Day/Year)	Lazard Ltd [LAZ]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		11/17/2008		
C/O LAZARD LTD,Â 30			(Check all applicable)	
ROCKEFELLER PLAZA			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below)    (specify below)	
			Chief Operating Officer	
NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10020			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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

(Instr. 5)

Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC	Â (1)	Â (1)	Class A Common Stock	169,174	\$ (1)	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Class Common Stock	104,155	\$ (3)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stern Alexander F. C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020	Â	Â	Â Chief Operating Officer	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Alexander F. Stern  
11/21/2008

Signature of Reporting Person  
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).
- The Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings are exchangeable on a one for one basis for Class A comon stock of Lazard Ltd. By their
- (1) terms 50% of these Class II Interests shall become exchangeable on May 10, 2009 and the other 50% shall become exchangeable on May 10, 2010.
  - (2) Of the 104,155 Restricted Stock Units listed, 32,346 vest on March 31, 2010 and 71,809 vest on March 31, 2011.
  - (3) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd.

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