#### ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BURKE FRANKLIN A** Issuer Symbol ABRAXAS PETROLEUM CORP (Check all applicable) [AXAS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 500 N LOOP 1604 E 09/04/2008 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Execution Date, if Securities Security (Month/Day/Year) Transaction(A) or Disposed of Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Beneficial (D) (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Instr. 8) Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Abraxas Petroleum 09/04/2008 970 2,358,126 Α D Common

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				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BURKE FRANKLIN A							
500 N LOOP 1604 E	X						
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78232							

## **Signatures**

Franklin A.
Burke

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

O9/08/2008

Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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