

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Pautz Thomas G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O CHARLES & COLVARD, LTD.</u> <u>300 PERIMETER PARK, SUITE A</u> (Street) <u>MORRISVILLE NC 27560</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/16/2009</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHARLES & COLVARD LTD [CTHR]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director _____ 10% Owner _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP of Sales & Marketing</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 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

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)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>D</u>	

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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
<u>Stock Option (Right to Buy)</u>	<u>(I)</u>	<u>11/11/2019</u>	<u>Common Stock</u> Amount or Number of Shares: <u>30,000</u>	<u>0.69</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. These options vest in three equal installments on 10/12/2009, 10/12/2010, and 10/12/2011

Timothy L. Krist, attorney-in-fact 03/02/2010

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, as an Officer of Charles & Colvard, Ltd., a North Carolina corporation (the "Company");

Does hereby constitute and appoint Timothy L. Krist, Randy N. McCullough and Bernadette R. Lindemer or any one of them acting individually to be his or her agent and attorney-in-fact;

With the power to act fully hereunder and with full power of substitution to act in the name and on behalf of the undersigned;

To sign in the name and on behalf of the undersigned, as an Officer of the Company, and file with the Securities and Exchange Commission such forms or information as may be required to be filed in accordance with Section 16(a), Rule 13d-1(b), (c), and (d) and Rule 13d-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and pursuant to Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file forms or information with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned executed this Power of Attorney on the date set forth below.

/s/ Thomas G. Pautz

(Signature)

Name: Thomas G. Pautz, VP of Sales & Marketing

Date: January 29, 2010