

STONEMOR PARTNERS LP

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FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * De Leeuw David	Statement (MM/DD/	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) 11/13/2009		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STONEMOR PARTNERS LP [STON]						
(Last) (First) (Middle)	4. Relatio	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
C/O LION CAPITAL LLC, 535	5 Direct	or		X 10% Owner						
MADISON AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR	TH Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)									
(Street)	5. If Ame Original F	ndment, Dat	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
NEW YORK, NY 10022		(MM/DD/YYYY)			X _ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)										
	Table I - N	Non-Deriva	tive S	ecurities Bene	ficially	Owned	i			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			Ownership C		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Units representing lin partnership interests	nited		2119	9891]		By (CFSI LL(2 (1)(2)	
Table II - Derivative Secu	rities Benefi	icially Own	ed (<i>e</i> .	g. , puts, calls	, warra	ınts, op	tions	, convertible	e securities)	
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	and Expirati	. Date Exercisable nd Expiration Date MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amoun Securities Underlyin Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conve or Exe Price of Deriva Securi	ercise of ative	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Date Expiration Title Date		Amount or Number of Shares				or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) McCown De Leeuw & Co. IV, L.P., a California limited partnership ("MDCIV"), McCown De Leeuw & Co. IV Associates, L.P., a California limited partnership ("MDCIVA"), and Delta Fund LLC, a California limited liability company ("Delta", and, collectively with MDCIV and MDCIVA, "MDC Funds"), collectively control CFSI LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("CFSI"). MDC Funds also collectively control Cornerstone Family Services LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Cornerstone"), that has an equity interest in CFSI. MDC Management Company IV, LLC, a California limited liability company ("MDC Management"), is the general partner of MDCIV and MDCIVA and, as such, controls MDCIV and MDCIVA. George E. McCown, Robert B. Hellman, Jr. and the Reporting Person are managing members of MDC Management and, as such, collectively control MDC Management. Messrs. Hellman and McCown collectively have investment and voting control over the securities held by Delta.
- CFSI, Cornerstone, the MDC Funds, MDC Management and Messrs. Hellman and McCown file Section 16 reports separately from the

Reporting Person. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

Reporting Owners

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Paparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
De Leeuw David							
C/O LION CAPITAL LLC							
535 MADISON AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR		X					
NEW YORK, NY 10022							

Signatures

/s/ Brian F. Leaf, as attorney-in-fact 11/25/2009

** 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

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Darren K. DeStefano, Brian F. Leaf and Courtney A. Roche of Cooley Godward Kronish LLP, or any of them signing individually, and with full power of substitution, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in fact and agent to:

- (1) prepare and execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including any amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or any rules or regulations of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a holder of 10% or more of a registered class of securities of StoneMor Partners, L.P. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules and regulations thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to prepare and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 (including amendments thereto and joint filing agreements in connection therewith) and timely file such forms or amendments with the SEC and any stock exchange, self-regulatory association or any other similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any nature whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the earliest to occur of (a) the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, or (b) revocation by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in fact. This Power of Attorney revokes any other power of attorney that the undersigned has previously granted to representatives of the undersigned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 24th day of November, 2009.

/s/ David De Leeuw