#### BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC

Form 4

January 21, 2009

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* MILLER JAMES D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC [BBSI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2009

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title below)

VP-Finance, Treasurer and Sec.

8100 NE PARKWAY DRIVE, SUITE 200

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

VANCOUVER, WA 98662

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

or

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.08	01/16/2009		A	10,000	01/16/2010(1)	01/16/2019	Common Stock	10,0

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILLER JAMES D 8100 NE PARKWAY DRIVE SUITE 200 VANCOUVER, WA 98662

VP-Finance, Treasurer and Sec.

# **Signatures**

James D. Miller 01/21/2009

\*\*Signature of Person Date

\*\*Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning January 16, 2010.

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