

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.
 Form 4
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ARMSTRONG R STEPHEN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.
 [PDCO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 PATTERSON COMPANIES,
 INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS
 RD.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/15/2009

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 EVP & CFO

(Street)
 ST. PAUL, MN 55120

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/15/2009 | | S | 1,980 D \$ 27.8212 | 153,292 | D | |

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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|--|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|--|

| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|------------------------|-----|--|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Options | (1) | | | | | | | (2) | (3) | Common Stock | 36,292 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ARMSTRONG R STEPHEN PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS RD. ST. PAUL, MN 55120 | | | EVP & CFO | |

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney
 Date: 12/16/2009

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Options granted are as follows: 10,068 on 05/01/2000 at \$12.1875, 8,806 on 04/30/2001 at \$15.28, 6,200 on 04/29/2002 at \$22.57, 7,288 on 04/28/2003 at \$19.965 and 3,930 on 4/26/2004 at \$38.50.
- (2) Options are exercisable as follows: 10,068 on 5/01/2009; 8,806 on 4/30/2010; 6,200 on 4/29/2011, 7,288 on 04/28/2012, and 3,930 on 4/26/2013.
- (3) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

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