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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Anderson Scott P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. [PDCO]				-6	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2012					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO			
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
ST. PAUL,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/28/2012			Code V $F_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 406	(D)	Price \$ 33.99	94,984	D		
Common Stock	04/30/2012			F(1)	386	D	\$ 34.09	94,598	D		
Common Stock	04/30/2012			A(2)	17,700	A	\$ 0	112,298	D		
Common Stock	05/01/2012			F(1)	465	D	\$ 34.52	111,833	D		

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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8. Price Derivation Security (Instr. 5)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	(2) (3)				<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	15,648

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	reminish ps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Anderson Scott P						
PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.	X		President and CEO			
1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS ROAD	Λ		Flesidelli alid CEO			
ST. PAUL, MN 55120						

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of
Attorney

**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) Shares withheld for taxes incurred upon lapse of restrictions on stock issued pursuant to the Patterson Companies, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the Patterson Companies, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Options granted as follows: 6,982 on 4/28/03 at \$19.965; and 8,666 on 5/01/04 at \$37.75.

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- Options are exercisable as follows: 6,982 shares on 4/27/12; 8,666 shares are exercisable as follows: 2,564 shares on May 1 of each year 2007, 2008 and 2013, and 974 shares on May 1, 2009.
- (5) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

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