

Sproat David P
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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 *
 Sproat David P

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President, Subsidiary

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 PATTERSON MEDICAL SUPPLY, INC., 1000 REMINGTON BLVD, SUITE 210

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/16/2010

(Street)
 BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------|---|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/16/2010 | | M | V | 3,758 | A | \$ 15.28 | 67,635 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/16/2010 | | S | V | 3,758 | D | \$ 30.23 | 63,877 | 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)

| 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 (Instr. 8) | 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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Employee Stock Options | \$ 15.28 | 12/16/2010 | | M | 3,758 | (1) (2) | Common Stock | 15,230 \$ 1 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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PATTERSON MEDICAL SUPPLY, INC.
1000 REMINGTON BLVD, SUITE 210
BOLINGBROOK, IL 60440

President, Subsidiary

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney

12/16/2010

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).

- Options for 15,230 shares are exercisable as follows: 2,690 shares on 4/29/2011; 3,194 shares on 4/27/2012; 1,738 shares on 4/26/2013;
- (1) 1,388 shares on 7/1/2007 and 7/1/2008; 1,128 shares on 7/1/2009; 1,054 shares on 7/1/2010; 966 shares on 7/1/2011; 884 shares on 7/1/2012; and 800 shares on 7/1/2013.
 - (2) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.
 - (3) Options granted as follows: 2,690 on 4/29/2002 at \$22.57; 3,194 on 4/28/2003 at \$19.965; 1,738 on 4/26/2004 at \$38.50; and 7,608 on 7/1/2004 at \$37.30.

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