

Jolson Joseph A  
 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 \*  
 Jolson Joseph A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 JMP Group Inc. [JMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 600 MONTGOMERY STREET, SUITE 1100  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/12/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman and CEO

SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock                    | 12/12/2007                           |  | P                              | 4,300 A   | \$ 8.44 50,000  | I  | See Footnote 1 (1)                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 20,245  | I  | See Footnote 2 (2)                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 30,367  | I  | See Footnote 3 (3)                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 200,000   | I  | See Footnote 4                    |

|              |           |   |                                 |
|--------------|-----------|---|---------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 2,233,597 | I | (4)<br>See<br>Footnote 5<br>(5) |
| Common Stock | 30,200    | 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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                         |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V (A) (D)   |  |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                     |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer             | Other |
| Jolson Joseph A<br>600 MONTGOMERY STREET<br>SUITE 1100<br>SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94111 | X             | X         | Chairman<br>and CEO |       |

## Signatures

Janet Tarkoff on behalf of Joseph A. Jolson  
12/12/2007

\_\_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) Reflects shares of common stock held by The Jolson Family Foundation, of which Mr. Jolson is President and Treasurer. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (2) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Jolson 2004 Trust FBO Samantha Rohan Jolson for the benefit of Mr. Jolson's daughter. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares.
- (3) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Jolson 2005 Trust FBO Jolson Children for the benefit of Mr. Jolson's children. Mr. Jolson disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (4) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Joseph A. Jolson 1991 Trust, of which Mr. Jolson is the trustee.
- (5) Reflects shares of common stock held by the Joseph A. Jolson 1996 Trust dtd 3/7/96, of which Mr. Jolson is the trustee.

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