

GUGGENHEIM PAUL A  
 Form 4  
 December 21, 2010

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 GUGGENHEIM PAUL A

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 COMPANIES,  
 INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS  
 ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/17/2010

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/17/2010		G	V 172 D \$ 0	83,276	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)
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	(1)							(2)	(3)	Common Stock	11,166

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GUGGENHEIM PAUL A PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS ROAD ST. PAUL, MN 55120			President - Subsidiary	

## Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

12/21/2010  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 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 as follows: 3,722 granted on 4/30/2001 at \$15.28; 2,632 granted on 4/29/2002 at \$22.57; 3,124 granted on 4/28/2003 at \$19.965; and 1,688 granted on 4/26/2004 at \$38.50.
- (2) Options exercisable as follows: 3,722 on 4/30/2010; 2,632 on 4/29/2011; 3,124 on 4/28/2012; and 1,688 on 4/26/2013.
- (3) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

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