

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.  
 Form 4  
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**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 \*  
**FRECHETTE PETER L**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**PATTERSON COMPANIES,  
 INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS  
 RD.**

(Street)

**ST. PAUL, MN 55120**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/03/2012**

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

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

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

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/03/2012		J	1,000,000 A	\$ 0 1,959,130	I	GRAT <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	05/03/2012		J	1,000,000 D	\$ 0 2,569,190	I	In Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					9,233	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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRECHETTE PETER L PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS RD. ST. PAUL, MN 55120	X		Director & Chairman	

## Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney  
Date: 05/03/2012

\*\*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) Held by Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts ("GRATS"). Since the Reporting Person's last filing, 1,040,870 shares were transferred from the GRATS to the Revocable Trust. On or about May 3, 2012, 1,000,000 shares were transferred from the Revocable Trust to a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust.
  - (2) Held by a Revocable Trust of which the Reporting Person is the settlor and one of the trustees. Since the Reporting Person's last filing, 1,040,870 shares were transferred from the GRATS to the Revocable Trust. On or about May 3, 2012, 1,000,000 shares were transferred from the Revocable Trust to a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust.

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