

MIDDELHOFF THOMAS
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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 *
MIDDELHOFF THOMAS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**BLM & PARTNERS LLP, # 5,
 QUERIPEL HOUSE, 1 DUKE OF
 YORK SQ**

(Street)

LONDON, X0 SW3 4LY

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
04/23/2009

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)

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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date		Title	Amount
					(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Expiration Date	Num Shares
Options (Directors 2009) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 4.92	04/23/2009	A	4,000		<u>(1)</u>	04/23/2019	Class A Common Stock 4
Phantom Stock Unit ⁽²⁾	<u>(2)</u>	04/23/2009	A	7,772.5385		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock 7,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MIDDELHOFF THOMAS BLM & PARTNERS LLP # 5, QUERPEL HOUSE, 1 DUKE OF YORK SQ LONDON, X0 SW3 4LY	X			

Signatures

Kenneth A. Richieri, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas Middelhoff	04/24/2009
⁽¹⁾ 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).
- Right to buy Class A Common Stock under The New York Times Company 2004 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Incentive Plan.
- (1) Options become exercisable on the date of the first Annual Meeting of Stockholders subsequent to the grant date. The grant date for Option 2009 was April 23, 2009.
- (2) Phantom stock units credited to the reporting person's account in respect of a discretionary grant, with a value of \$35,000, and dividend equivalent payments and accumulated interest on previously granted phantom stock units. Each phantom stock unit was credited to the reporting person's account under The New York Times Company Non-Employee Directors Deferral Plan, on April 23, 2009, based on the average closing price of a share of Class A Common Stock for the 30 trading days prior to the date of credit. Distribution in cash is generally made following retirement. This transaction involved a derivative security that does not have an exercise date or an expiration date.

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