

Russell Kevin Thomas  
 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 \*  
 Russell Kevin Thomas

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O AWARE INC 40 MIDDLESEX  
 TURNPIKE

(Street)

BEDFORD, MA 01730

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AWARE INC /MA/ ["AWRE"]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/02/2012

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)  
 Int co-CEO& co-Pres, Gen Cou

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                    | 07/02/2012                           |  | A                              | (A)<br>or<br>(D)<br>A   | 1,280<br>(1)<br>\$ 6.45   | 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 (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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|

|                             |         |  |  | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
|-----------------------------|---------|--|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 3.77 |  |  |      |   |     |     | (2)              | 02/20/2018      | Common Stock | 30,000                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 4.64 |  |  |      |   |     |     | (3)              | 12/05/2017      | Common Stock | 12,000                     |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 5.05 |  |  |      |   |     |     | (4)              | 12/04/2013      | Common Stock | 12,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                              |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                      | Other |
| Russell Kevin Thomas<br>C/O AWARE INC 40 MIDDLESEX TURNPIKE<br>BEDFORD, MA 01730 | X             |           | Int co-CEO& co-Pres, Gen Cou |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Kevin T. Russell  
07/05/2012

\_\_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) Shares of unrestricted stock issued to reporting person on July 2, 2012.
- (2) Vests in 20 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from March 31, 2008 through December 31, 2012.
- (3) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from December 31, 2007 through September 30, 2011.

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(4) Vests in 16 equal quarterly installments on the last day of each quarter from December 31, 2006 through September 30, 2010.

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