PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ARMSTRONG R STEPHEN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. [PDCO]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS RD.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/28/2012					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CFO		
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ST. PAUL,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deeme (Month/Day/Year) Execution I any (Month/Day		on Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I)	
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/28/2012			F(1)	167	D	\$ 33.99	149,144	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2012			F(1)	157	D	\$ 34.09	148,987	D	
Common Stock	04/30/2012			A(2)	7,600	A	\$ 0	156,587	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2012			F(1)	17	D	\$ 34.52	156,570	D	

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8. Price Derivation Security (Instr. 5)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Amount
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Number
of Shares
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11718
11,210

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ARMSTRONG R STEPHEN PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS RD. ST. PAUL, MN 55120

EVP & CFO

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney

05/02/2012

**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 withheld for taxes incurred upon lapse of restrictions on restricted stock issued pursuant to the Patterson Companies, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the Patterson Companies, Inc. Equity Incentive Plan.
- (3) Options granted are as follows: 7,288 on 04/28/2003 at \$19.965 and 3,930 on 4/26/2004 at \$38.50

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- (4) Options are exercisable as follows: 7,288 on 04/28/2012 and 3,930 on 4/26/2013.
- (5) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

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