

GUGGENHEIM PAUL A
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FORM 4

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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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President - Subsidiary

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC., 1031 MENDOTA HEIGHTS ROAD

(Street)

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

ST. PAUL, MN 55120

(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	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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Employee Stock Options	(1)			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable (2)	Expiration Date (3)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
								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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