

Preiss Chad Robert
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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 *
 Preiss Chad Robert

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD
 (Street)

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Woodward, Inc. [WWD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/06/2012

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)
 President, Engine Systems

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | M | | 9,000 A \$ 7.7367 | D | |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | S | | 9,000 D \$ 36.19 (1) | D | |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | | | | | 13,053.2 (2) | I | Woodward Retirement Savings Plan |

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Nonqualified Stock Option (Right to buy) | \$ 7.7367 | 09/06/2012 | | M | 9,000 | 11/21/2004 ⁽³⁾ 11/21/2013 | Woodward, Inc. Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Preiss Chad Robert 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD FORT COLLINS, CO 80525 | | | President, Engine Systems | |

Signatures

Katrina L. Jaime, by Power of Attorney
09/10/2012
**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).

The reporting person executed a trade order through a broker-dealer which resulted in multiple same day, same way open market sales, with prices ranging from \$36.16 to \$36.25 per share. The reporting person has reported these sales on an aggregate basis using the (1) weighted average price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Company, or a security holder of the Company, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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The information in this report regarding the number of shares held by Mr. Preiss in the Woodward Retirement Savings Plan is based on a calculation as of September 5, 2012.

(3) Options, which expire on November 21, 2013, became exercisable at the rate of 25% per year beginning November 21, 2004.

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