

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.  
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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 \*  
**BEECKEN DAVID K**

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)

**BEECKEN PETTY O'KEEFE & COMPANY, 131 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET, SUITE 2800**

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/23/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**CHICAGO, IL 60603**

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	03/23/2005		M		36,000	A	\$ 11.25
Common Stock	03/23/2005		S		36,000	D	\$ 48.88
Common Stock					360,000	I	

In Trust for members of reporting persons immediate family.

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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 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Options	\$ 11.25	03/23/2005		M	36,000	10/01/2001 10/01/2005	Common Stock	36,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BEECKEN DAVID K BEECKEN PETTY O'KEEFE & COMPANY 131 SOUTH DEARBORN STREET, SUITE 2800 CHICAGO, IL 60603	X			

## Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney  
03/24/2005  
\*\*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) Options granted as follows: 36,000 on 10/01/2001 at \$18.475; 12,000 on 9/10/02 at \$23.9425; 888 on 4/29/02 at \$22.57; 12,000 on 9/9/03 at \$27.8575; 1,052 on 4/28/03 at \$19.965; 536 on 4/26/04 at \$38.50; and 12,000 on 9/13/04 at \$37.18.
- (2) Options exercisable as follows: 36,000 on October 1 of 2002; 12,000 on 9/10/2003; 885 on 4/29/2003; 12,000 on 9/9/04; 1,032 on 4/28/04; 536 on 4/26/05 and 12,000 on 9/13/05.
- (3) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

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