

SERVICEMASTER CO

Form 4

October 17, 2002

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 ROONEY, PHILLIP B.
 2300 Warrenville Road
 Downers Grove, IL 60515-1700
 USA
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ServiceMaster Company (SVM)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
 10/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Ex. Vice President
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D Price	5. Amou Secu Bene Owne End Mont
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Common stock \$.01 par value

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