

Howell James 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 *
 Howell James A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORDSTROM INC [JWN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O NORDSTROM, INC., 1700 SEVENTH AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/17/2012

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

SEATTLE, WA 98101

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,010 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,664.84 | I | By 401(k) Plan, per Plan statement dated 1/31/12 |

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) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 51.14 | 02/17/2012 | | A | 0 <u>(1)</u> | <u>(2)</u> 02/17/2022 | Common Stock | 0 <u>(1)</u> |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Howell James A C/O NORDSTROM, INC. 1700 SEVENTH AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98101 | | | Vice President | |

Signatures

Paula McGee, Attorney-In-Fact for James A. Howell
Date: 02/22/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The number of options granted is not known at this time. The number is calculated as a function of base pay, a long-term incentive (LTI) percentage and the fair value of the option. The Binomial Lattice option valuation model will be used to estimate the fair value of the (1) option. This model requires the input of certain assumptions, including risk-free interest rate, volatility, dividend yield, and expected life. The formula for determining the number of options granted is: number of options = (base pay x LTI%) / option fair value. This Form 4 will be amended to report the number of options granted when that number has been calculated.

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(2) Granted under the issuer's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, exercisable in four equal annual installments commencing on 2/17/2013.

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