

21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
LAWSON EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO  
[TCHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK  
BLVD., SUITE 300  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/19/2005

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

LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311

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

(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)	
			Code	V	Amount	(D)				Price
Common Stock	10/19/2005		G	V	30,000	D	Ⓐ	537,892	D	
Common Stock								430,645	I	By Spouse, Michele V Lawson
Common Stock								25,425	I	In custodial acct of minor child

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Options <u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	66,324
Options <u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>					<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	20,676

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAWSON EDWARD J 3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD., SUITE 300 LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311	X	X	President and Chairman	

## Signatures

Edward J. Lawson  
10/20/2005  
 \*\*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).

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- (1) Shares gifted to family members.
- (2) Mr. Lawson has 66,324 fully vested stock options granted to him with various grant dates, expiration dates, and grant prices.
- (3) Mrs. Lawson has 20,676 fully vested stock options granted to her with various grant dates, expiration dates and grant prices.

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