

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.  
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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 \*  
 RUDNICK ELLEN A

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/18/2006

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

U. OF CHICAGO GRAD. SCH OF BUSINESS, 5807 SOUTH WOODLAWN AVENUE

(Street)

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

CHICAGO,, IL 60637

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	Price

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)**

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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)
Director Stock Options	\$ 32.41	09/18/2006		A	5,000	09/18/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> 09/18/2016 <sup>(2)</sup>	Common Stock 5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RUDNICK ELLEN A U. OF CHICAGO GRAD. SCH OF BUSINESS 5807 SOUTH WOODLAWN AVENUE CHICAGO,, IL 60637	X			

## Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney  
 09/19/2006  
 \*\*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 exercisable as follows: 8,000 on December 9 of each year 2004 - 2006, 12,000 on 9/13/2005, 12,000 on 9/12/2006 and 5,000 on 09/18/2007.
- (2) All options expire 10 years after grant date.
- (3) Options granted as follows: 24,000 on 12/09/2003 at \$33.648, 12,000 on 9/13/04 at \$37.18, 12,000 on 9/12/05 at \$40.935 and 5,000 on 09/18/2006 at \$32.41.

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