

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 *
 SLAVKIN HAROLD C

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)
 USC SCHL OF DENT, OFF OF
 DEAN-STE 203, 925 W. 34TH ST.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/30/2006

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

LOS ANGELES, CA 90089

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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(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
				Code	V	Amount				
Common Stock	08/30/2006		M		21,000	A	\$ 19.71	21,000	D	
Common Stock	08/30/2006		S		21,000	D	\$ 30.93	0	D	
Common Stock								350	I	Spouse's Account

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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Director Stock Options	\$ 19.71	08/30/2006		M	21,000	(1)	(2)	Common Stock	21,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SLAVKIN HAROLD C USC SCHL OF DENT, OFF OF DEAN-STE 203 925 W. 34TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90089	X			

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney
08/31/2006
**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: 12,000 on 9/10/03, 12,000 on 9/9/04, 12,000 on 9/13/05, 384 on 5/02/06, 12,000 on 9/12/06 and 556 on 5/01/07.
- (2) All grants expire 10 years after grant date.
- (3) Options granted as follows: 12,000 on 9/10/02 at \$23.9425, 12,000 on 9/9/03 at \$27.8595, 12,000 on 9/13/04 at \$37.18, 384 on 5/02/05 at \$50.75, 12,000 on 9/12/2005 at \$40.935 and 556 on 5/01/06 at \$32.30.

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