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Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
(Amendment No. 2)*

Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value
(Title of Class of Securities)

740065 10 7
(CUSIP Number)

Thomas W. Smith
323 Railroad Avenue
Greenwich, CT 06830
(203) 661-1200
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person
Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

October 4, 2004
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON

Thomas W. Smith

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

PF and OO (Funds of Managed Accounts)

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

Not Applicable

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

1,258,351

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

2,730,262

EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,258,351

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,730,262

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,988,613

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not Applicable

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

25.7%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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Thomas N. Tryforos

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) | |
(b) | |

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

PF and OO (Funds of Managed Accounts)

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PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

| |

Not Applicable

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

122,126

NUMBER OF 8 SHARED VOTING POWER
SHARES

BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 1,237,500

EACH 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

REPORTING PERSON 122,126

WITH 10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,237,500

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,359,626

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES* | |

Not Applicable

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13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

8.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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Scott J. Vassalluzzo

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)

(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

PF and OO (Funds of Managed Accounts)

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

Not Applicable

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

20,100

NUMBER OF SHARES
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

2,730,262

EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

20,100

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,730,262

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

2,750,362

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12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not Applicable

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

17.8%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
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Idoya Partners

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

Not Applicable

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York Limited Partnership

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

1,321,456

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,321,456

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

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0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,321,456

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not Applicable

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

8.5%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
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Prescott Associates

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS*

WC

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e)

Not Applicable

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

New York Limited Partnership

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

1,237,500

NUMBER OF SHARES
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH

8 SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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REPORTING PERSON WITH 1,237,500

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

1,237,500

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*

Not Applicable

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

8.0%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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Item 1. Security and Issuer

This amended statement on Schedule 13D ("Statement") relates to the common stock, par value \$.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Pre-Paid Legal Services, Inc., an Oklahoma corporation whose principal executive offices are located at 321 East Main Street, Ada, Oklahoma 74820 (the "Issuer") and amends and restates the original statement filed on Schedule 13D by Messrs. Thomas W. Smith and Thomas N. Tryforos on March 20, 2002 (SEC File No. 005-31480), as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on November 12, 2002 (SEC File No. 005-78586).

Item 2. Identity and Background

(a) - (f) This Statement is filed jointly by: (i) Thomas W. Smith, Thomas N. Tryforos and Scott J. Vassalluzzo, each of whom is a private investment manager, (ii) Prescott Associates, a New York limited partnership for which Messrs. Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo are each a general partner, and (iii) Idoya Partners, a New York limited partnership for which Messrs. Smith and Vassalluzzo are each a general partner (the persons and entities in (i) through (iii) referred to collectively herein as, the "Reporting Persons"). The business address for each of the Reporting Persons is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830. The filing of this statement shall not be deemed to be an admission that the Reporting Persons comprise a "group" within the meaning of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

During the last five years, no Reporting Person has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations and similar misdemeanors) nor has any Reporting Person been a party to a civil proceeding of a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order enjoining future violations of, or prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

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Each of the Messrs. Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo is a citizen of the United States. Idoya Partners and Prescott Associates are New York limited partnerships.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

In order to fund the purchase of the Common Stock reported herein, the Managed Accounts (as hereinafter defined) contributed in the aggregate \$60,113,227 of the funds of the Managed Accounts (including \$25,354,111 and \$22,839,372 contributed by Idoya Partners and Prescott Associates, respectively), Mr. Smith contributed \$23,112,976 of his personal funds, Mr. Tryforos contributed \$1,751,799 of his personal funds and Mr. Vassalluzzo contributed \$231,777 of his personal funds.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

As described more fully in Item 5 below, Messrs. Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo beneficially own 3,088,613 shares, 1,248,888 shares, and 2,741,262 shares of Common Stock,

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respectively (collectively, the "Managed Account Shares") in their capacity as investment managers for Prescott Associates, Idoya Partners and other managed accounts (the "Managed Accounts"). The Managed Accounts consist of investment accounts for: (i) the Investment Entities listed on Appendix A hereto, and (ii) certain family members of Messrs Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo and trusts for the benefit of certain family members of Mr. Smith. In addition, Messrs. Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo own 900,000 shares, 110,738 shares and 9,100 shares of Common Stock, respectively, for their own account (collectively, the "Personal Shares"). Messrs. Smith, Vassalluzzo and Tryforos acquired the Personal Shares for investment purposes. The Managed Account Shares were acquired for the purpose of achieving the investment goals of the Managed Accounts. Based on market conditions, an evaluation of alternative investments and such other factors as may be considered relevant, the Reporting Persons may purchase or sell Common Stock from time to time on terms considered desirable by the Reporting Persons. The Reporting Persons may talk or hold discussions with various parties, including, but not limited to, the Issuer's management, its board of directors, and other shareholders and third parties, for the purpose of developing and implementing strategies to maximize shareholder value, including strategies that may, in the future, result in the occurrence of one or more of the actions or events enumerated in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D. Subject to the foregoing, none of the Reporting Persons has any present plan or proposal which relates to or would result in any of the actions or events enumerated in clauses (a) through (j) of Item 4 of Schedule 13D. In addition, each Reporting Person disclaims any obligation to report any plan or proposal known to such Reporting Person solely as a result of Mr. Smith's position as a director of the Issuer and his participation in such capacity in decisions involving an action or event described in clauses (a) through (j) in Item 4 of Schedule 13D.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a) Based on the 15,502,628 shares of Common Stock reported as outstanding in the Issuer's press release dated October 5, 2004, the aggregate number and percentage of shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by each of the Reporting Persons is as follows: Mr. Smith - 3,988,613 shares (25.7%); Mr. Tryforos -

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1,359,626 shares (8.8%); Mr. Vassalluzzo - 2,750,362 (17.8%); Idoya Partners - 1,321,456 shares (8.5%); Prescott Associates - 1,237,500 shares (8.0%).

(b) The Reporting Persons have the sole power to vote or to direct the vote and the sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of Common Stock in the following amounts: Thomas W. Smith: 1,258,351 shares; Thomas N. Tryforos: 122,126 shares; Scott J. Vassalluzzo: 20,100 shares; Idoya Partners: 1,321,456 shares; and Prescott Associates: 1,237,500 shares. Messrs. Smith, Tryforos and Vassalluzzo share the power to vote or to direct the vote of and dispose or to direct the disposition of Common Stock owned by the Managed Accounts in the following amounts: Thomas W. Smith: 2,730,262 shares; Thomas N. Tryforos: 1,237,500 shares; and Scott J. Vassalluzzo: 2,730,262 shares. Idoya Partners and Prescott Associates do not share the power to vote or to direct the vote and dispose or to direct the disposition of any Common Stock.

(c) During the sixty (60) days prior to the date of this filing, the Reporting Persons effected no transactions involving shares of Common Stock other than the distribution to Thomas N. Tryforos by Idoya Partners and Prescott International Partners of 46,644 and 3,694 shares of Common Stock, respectively, on October 11, 2004 in accordance with the terms of their respective limited partnership agreements.

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(d) The Managed Accounts have the right to receive dividends from, and the proceeds from the sale of, the Managed Account Shares.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

On October 4, 2004, the Issuer's Board of Directors elected Mr. Smith to serve as a director and a member of its Nominating and Compensation Committees. Under the Issuer's Stock Option Plan, non-employee directors receive options to purchase 10,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock on March 1 of each year. With respect to any Managed Account established for the benefit of family members or friends of a Reporting Person, the voting and investment authority accorded the Reporting Person is subject to each beneficiary's ability, if so provided, to terminate or otherwise direct the disposition of the Managed Account. Subject to the foregoing, and except as otherwise set forth above, there are no contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships (legal or otherwise) among any of the Reporting Persons and any other person with respect to any securities of the Issuer, including any contract, arrangement, understanding or relationship concerning the transfer or the voting of any securities of the Issuer, or any finder's fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

1. Agreement relating to the joint filing of this Statement on Schedule 13D/A dated October 20, 2004.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated October 20, 2004

/s/ Thomas W. Smith

Thomas W. Smith

/s/ Thomas N. Tryforos

Thomas N. Tryforos

/s/ Scott J. Vassalluzzo

Scott J. Vassalluzzo

IDOYA PARTNERS

/s/ Thomas W. Smith

By: Thomas W. Smith
Its: General Partner

PRESCOTT ASSOCIATES

/s/ Thomas W. Smith

By: Thomas W. Smith
Its: General Partner