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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC.

CIK: **891024** | IRS No.: **410886515** | State of Incorporation: **MN** | Fiscal Year End: **0429**
SIC: **5047** Medical, dental & hospital equipment & supplies

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person EZERSKI RONALD E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PATTERSON COMPANIES, INC. [PDCO]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2005			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
26531 ROOKERY LAKE DRIVE			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) BONITA SPRINGS, FL 34134								
(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/02/2005		S		100,000	D	\$50.656	1,756,244	I	See Footnote (1) (1)
Common Stock								768,840	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Director Stock Options	(2)							(3)	(4)	Common Stock	108,000	108,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Held by grantor retained annuity trusts.
2. Options granted as follows: 36,000 on 10/01/2000 at \$11.25, 36,000 on 10/01/2001 at \$18.475, 12,000 on 9/10/02 at \$23.9425, 12,000 on 9/9/03 at \$27.8575, and 12,000 on 9/13/04 at \$37.18.
3. Options exercisable as follows: 36,000 on October 1st of each year 2001-2002, 12,000 on 9/10/03, 12,000 on 9/09/04 and 12,000 on 9/13/2005.
4. All grants expire 10 years after grant date.

Signatures

Matthew L. Levitt, by Power of Attorney

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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