**BUA JEAN A** Form 4 September 11, 2012

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BUA JEAN A** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC [NTCT]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS. INC., 310 LITTLETON ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/07/2012

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

WESTFORD, MA 01886

(State)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	09/07/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	3,360	A (1)	(2)	7,585	D	
Common Stock	09/07/2012		F(3)	1,066	D	\$ 25.23 (4)	6,519	D	

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)	ay/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Der any Code Securi (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquir (A) or Dispos (D) (Instr.		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of	rivative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ired rosed of . 3, 4,			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(2)</u>	09/07/2012		M	3,360	09/07/2012	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	3,360	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BUA JEAN A C/O NETSCOUT SYSTEMS, INC. 310 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886

Chief Financial Officer

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Jean Bua 09/11/2012

\*\*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) The shares of Common Stock were acquired upon the vesting of certain Restricted Stock Units previously granted to the reporting person.
- (2) Price is N/A.
- (3) The shares of Common Stock were withheld by the Company to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units. The withheld shares were returned to treasury.
- (4) Represents the closing price of the Company's Common Stock on September 6, 2012.
- (5) Date is N/A

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