

BABSON STEPHEN E  
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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 \*  
**BABSON STEPHEN E**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO [COLM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/25/2012**

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

**C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY, 14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE**

(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

**PORTLAND, OR 97229**

(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		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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock	05/25/2012		M		353	A	\$ 0 36,599	D	
Common Stock	05/29/2012		M		265	A	\$ 0 36,864	D	
Common Stock	05/29/2012		M		232	A	\$ 0 37,096	D	
Common Stock							1,000	I	By Wife
Common Stock							2,250	I	By LP <sup>(1)</sup>

Common  
Stock

Common  
Stock

5,500

I

By Family  
Trust (2)

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. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/25/2012		M	353	05/25/2011 <sup>(3)</sup> <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	353	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/29/2012		M	265	05/27/2012 <sup>(3)</sup> <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	265	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/29/2012		M	232	05/27/2012 <sup>(4)</sup> <u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	232	

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BABSON STEPHEN E  
C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY  
14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE  
PORTLAND, OR 97229

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## Signatures

Peter J. Bragdon,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/29/2012

\_\_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) Includes 2,250 shares held by Babson Capital Partners, LP, for which Mr. Babson is general partner.
- (2) Includes 5,500 shares held by the Jean McCall Babson Trust, for which Mr. Babson is trustee and whose beneficiaries include members of Mr. Babson's family.  

Restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable indicated. One share of Common Stock will be automatically delivered to the reporting person for each restricted stock unit that vests. If a vesting date falls on a weekend or any other day on which the Nasdaq Stock Market ("NSM") or any national securities exchange on which the Common Stock then is principally traded (the "Exchange") is not open, affected RSUs shall vest on the next following NSM or Exchange business day, as the case may be.
- (3) Restricted stock units vest 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the anniversary of the grant date. If a vesting date falls on a weekend or any other day on which the Nasdaq Stock Market ("NSM") or any national securities exchange on which the Common Stock then is principally traded (the "Exchange") is not open, affected RSUs shall vest on the next following NSM or Exchange business day, as the case may be.
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- (5) N/A

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