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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION (Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LaRue R Scott Issuer Symbol PIPER JAFFRAY COMPANIES (Check all applicable) [PJC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 800 NICOLLET MALL 10/22/2012 Co-Head Global IB (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (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	10/22/2012		S	5,000	D	\$ 27.25	64,019	D	
Common Stock							429 (1)	I	By PJC Retirement Plan

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security or (Instr. 3) Pr		or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(i.i.o.i.a., Day) Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year) ve s i		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

LaRue R Scott

800 NICOLLET MALL Co-Head Global IB

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

Signatures

/s/ James L. Chosy for R. Scott 10/24/2012 LaRue

**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).
- Based on a plan report dated October 22, 2012.

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