

Preiss Chad Robert
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Preiss Chad Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Woodward, Inc. [WWD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/04/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, Engine Systems

FORT COLLINS, CO 80525
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Underlying Securities |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | (Instr. 3) |
|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-------------------------|---------------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------|--|------------|
| Phantom Stock | <u>(1)</u> | 09/04/2012 | A | 7.87 | <u>(1)(2)</u> | <u>(1)(2)</u> | | | | | | Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 7.87 | \$ 3 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Preiss Chad Robert 1000 E. DRAKE ROAD FORT COLLINS, CO 80525 | | | President, Engine Systems | |

Signatures

Katrina L. Jaime, by Power of Attorney
 Date: 09/06/2012

__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) Represents dividends reinvested in phantom stock units under the terms of the Woodward Executive Benefit Plan (the "Plan"). Phantom stock units are accrued under the Plan and are to be settled in 100% stock on a one-for-one basis at the distribution date specified at the time of election, or if earlier, upon separation from the Company. The total shown represents the dollar amount of dividends reinvested by the then current share price and, therefore, the number of shares reported may fluctuate from period to period. The total shown also includes phantom stock units acquired in connection with supplemental excess benefit contributions, and other acquisitions made under the Plan.
 - (2) On September 4, 2012, dividends received by the reporting person in respect of phantom stock units held under the Plan were reinvested in Company common stock under the Plan.

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