#### **COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO**

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### FORM 4

## **OMB APPROVAL**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAHILL JOHN T			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
a		0.5.1.11.		(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner			
C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE			05/14/2012	Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
COMPANY,	300 PARK	AVENUE		ociow)			
	(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			
NEW YORK, NY 10022				Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table L. Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Reneficially Owned				

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		(			(A) or	,	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/14/2012		Code V $A_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 2,200	(D)	Price \$ 0	17,013	D	
Common Stock							10,397	I	In Trust

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Lunderlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 99.01	05/14/2012		A(2)	3,500	05/14/2013(3)	05/14/2018	Common Stock	3,500

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CHILL JOHN T O COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY O PARK AVENUE SW YORK, NY 10022	X					

### **Signatures**

CA C/C 300 NE

Nina Huffman by power of attorney

\*\*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) Annual stock grant under the issuer's Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- (2) Annual stock option grant under the issuer's Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.
- (3) Option becomes exercisable in one-third increments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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