

BRADY CORP  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Pearce Aaron James

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6555 W. GOOD HOPE ROAD  
(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BRADY CORP [BRC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/21/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
V.P., Treasurer, Dir. of I.R.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) Price  |   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> |                                      |  |                                |   | 50.603  | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup> |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,987.086 <sup>(2)</sup>  | 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) | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Deferred Compensation Units <sup>(3)</sup> | <u>(3)</u>   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(3)</u>   | Class A Common Stock  | <u>(3)</u>                 |
| Stock Option                               | \$ 30.21   | 09/21/2012                           |  | J                              | 9,000   | <u>(4)</u> 09/21/2022                                    | Class A Common Stock  | 9,000                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Pearce Aaron James<br>6555 W. GOOD HOPE ROAD<br>MILWAUKEE, WI 53223 |               |           | V.P., Treasurer, Dir. of I.R. |       |

## Signatures

Sherilyn Whitmoyer, as Attorney-In-Fact  
Date: 08/03/2012

\*\*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 shares of Class A Common Stock purchased under the issuer's ESPP.
- (2) Represents shares of Class A Common Stock purchased under the issuer's 401(K) payroll deduction plan.

The deferred compensation stock units were acquired under the Brady Corporation employee deferred compensation plan. Each deferred compensation unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Class A Common Stock. The deferred compensation units become payable in share of Brady's Class A Common Stock upon the reporting persons cessation of service as an employee of Brady Corporation.

- (4) Represents options exercisable one-third each year for the three years subsequent to the grant date.

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