PETERSON ERIC H

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PETERSON ERIC H | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLOCKBUSTER INC [BBI] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---|---|-------------|-------------|--|-------|--|------------------|-------------------|--|
| (Last) | (First) (| Middle) | 3. Date of | Earliest Tr | ansaction | | | | •• | | |
| 1201 ELM S | STREET | | (Month/D 12/17/20 | • | | | | DirectorX Officer (give below) EVP, Gene | | Owner er (specify | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amer | ndment, Da | te Original | | | 6. Individual or Jo | oint/Group Filin | g(Check | |
| DALLAS, T | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | es Acai | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | |
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| 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution (Instr. 3) Execution any (Month/Day/Year) | | Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | of (D) | Beneficially (D) or Ben Owned Indirect (I) Own Following (Instr. 4) (Ins | | Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Class A | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock (1) | 12/17/2009 | | | P | 164,664 | A | \$ 0 | 164,664 | 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)

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| 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 3 | ate | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities | 8 I S () |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to buy) | (2) | | | | | <u>(2)</u> | 10/15/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 700,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| | Relationships | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | • | | |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETERSON ERIC H 1201 ELM STREET DALLAS, TX 75270

EVP, General Counsel & Sectry

Signatures

/s/ Eric H. 12/21/2009 Peterson

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Class A Common Stock issued to the Reporting Person pursuant to a bonus award approved by the Company's Compensation Committee on December 17, 2009.
- (2) Previously Reported. The options vest over a three-year period, with one-third of the options vesting on each anniversary of October 15, 2007.

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