FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Woodson Gregory P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE				09	/16/2	2010		saction (Mont		, ,		vP-C	Chief Ethics & C			ce		
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022 (City) (State) (Zip)				_   4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					ear)	2A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ies Acquire Of (D) (Inst		5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	es F ally (I Following (I	Form	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code V		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(111501.4)	
	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)		le and	7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	s Illy	Ownershij Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Ex Da	epiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$76.58	09/16/2010			A <sup>(1)</sup>		32,000		09/16/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/	/16/2016	Common Stock	32,000	\$0	32,000	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Annual Stock Option granted under the issuer's 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan.
- 2. Option becomes exercisable in one-third increments on each anniversary date, with the first third becoming exercisable on the date shown in this column.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of

09/20/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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