QUESTROM ALLEN I

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(City)

Security

(Instr. 3)

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * QUESTROM ALLEN I

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

SOTHEBYS [BID] (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

1334 YORK AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012

Other (specify below)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

(State) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V Expiration Title (A) (D) Date Amount Exercisable Date Number of Shares Dividend Common Equivalent <u>(1)</u> 12/31/2012 Α 108.88 (1) (1) 108.88 Stock Rights

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| QUESTROM ALLEN I 1334 YORK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10021 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Gary Chard as Attorney-In-Fact 01/03/2013

**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).

The Dividend Equivalent Rights have accrued under the Sotheby's 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (as amended and restated, the "Plan") with respect to Deferred Stock Units received by the reporting person under the Plan. The Deferred Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalent Rights will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Board.

(2) Not Applicable

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