

STEVENSON KEVIN P  
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**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 \*  
STEVENSON KEVIN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PORTFOLIO RECOVERY ASSOCIATES INC [PRAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP, CFO, Treasurer, Asst Secy

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
120 CORPORATE BLVD, SUITE 100  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/12/2012

NORFOLK, VA 23502

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/12/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>				D	\$ 95.48 (2)
					11,037			63,003
Common Stock	11/12/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>				D	\$ 96.17 (3)
					3,600			59,403
Common Stock	11/13/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>				D	\$ 95.39 (4)
					5,822			53,581
Common	11/13/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>				D	\$ 49,853
					3,728			

Stock						96.81		
						(5)		
						\$		
Common Stock	11/13/2012		S(1)	850	D	97.06	49,003	D
						(6)		

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STEVENSON KEVIN P 120 CORPORATE BLVD SUITE 100 NORFOLK, VA 23502			EVP, CFO, Treasurer, Asst Secy	

## Signatures

/s/ Kevin P. Stevenson 11/14/2012

\*\*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) These sales are pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan dated November 6, 2012. There are no shares remaining to be sold under this plan.
- (2) The sale prices for this transaction ranged from \$95.00 to \$95.98. The filer hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) The sale prices for this transaction ranged from \$96.02 to \$96.64. The filer hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) The sale prices for this transaction ranged from \$95.00 to \$95.95. The filer hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (5) The sale prices for this transaction ranged from \$96.05 to \$97.00. The filer hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (6) The sale prices for this transaction ranged from \$97.05 to \$97.08. The filer hereby agrees to provide, upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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