

COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BABSON STEPHEN E**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO [COLM]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/21/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY, 14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE

(Street)

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

PORTLAND, OR 97229

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					2,900	D	
Common Stock					750	I	By LP <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock					1,500	I	By Family Trust <sup>(2)</sup>

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.55	05/21/2008		A	3,314	05/21/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	05/20/2019	Common Stock	3,314
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/21/2008		A	1,230	05/21/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(7)</sup>	Common Stock	1,230
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	05/21/2008		A	1,432 <sup>(5)</sup>	05/21/2009 <sup>(6)</sup>	<sup>(7)</sup>	Common Stock	1,432

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BABSON STEPHEN E  
C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY  
14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE  
PORTLAND, OR 97229

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## Signatures

Peter J. Bragdon,  
Attorney-in-Fact 05/22/2008

          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) Includes 750 shares held by Babson Capital Partners, LP, for which Mr. Babson is general partner.
- (2) Includes 1500 shares held by the Jean McCall Babson Trust, for which Mr. Babson is trustee and whose beneficiaries include members of Mr. Babson's family.
- (3) Options become exercisable for one-third of the shares on the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
- (4) Restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable indicated. One share of Common Stock will be automatically delivered to the reporting person for each restricted stock unit that vests.
- (5) Restricted stock units received in lieu of cash director's fee.
- (6) Restricted stock units vest 100% on 5/21/09, the first anniversary of the grant date. One share of Common Stock will be automatically delivered to the reporting person for each restricted stock unit that vests.
- (7) N/A

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