

NELSON DENNIS H  
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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 \*  
NELSON DENNIS H

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2407 W 24TH STREET  
(Street)

KEARNEY, NE 68845

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BUCKLE INC [BKE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/14/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

PRESIDENT & CEO

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

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**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 or Price		
Common Stock	03/14/2012		M		38,472 A \$ 1.6022	275,072	D
Common Stock	03/14/2012		S		38,472 D \$ 49.0407	236,600	D
Common Stock	03/15/2012		M		20,000 A \$ 1.6022	256,600	D
Common Stock	03/15/2012		S		20,000 D \$ 48.8399	236,600	D
Common Stock						2,544,005	I By Trust

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Common Stock	67,500	I	By Wife
Common Stock	4,896.8758 <u>(4)</u>	I	Held by 401(k) Plan

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 1.6022 <u>(1)</u>	03/14/2012		M	38,472 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u> 01/31/2014	Common Stock	38,472 <u>(2)</u>	
Stock Option (Right to Purchase)	\$ 1.6022 <u>(1)</u>	03/15/2012		M	20,000 <u>(2)</u>	<u>(3)</u> 01/31/2014	Common Stock	20,000 <u>(2)</u>	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NELSON DENNIS H 2407 W 24TH STREET KEARNEY, NE 68845	X		PRESIDENT & CEO	

## Signatures

Karen B. Rhoads by Power of Attorney  
03/16/2012

\_\_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) Exercise price was originally reported as \$25.75. Exercise price has been adjusted in accordance with the terms of the stock option plan to reflect payment of special cash dividend on 1/2/2007, 3/2 stock split on 1/12/2007, payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/2008, 3/2 stock split on 10/30/2008, payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/2009, payment of special cash dividend on 12/21/2010, and payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/2011.

(2) Number of stock options granted was originally reported as 103,500. Number of stock options outstanding has been adjusted in accordance with the terms of the stock option plan to reflect payment of special cash dividend on 1/2/2007, 3/2 stock split on 1/12/2007, payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/2008, 3/2 stock split on 10/30/2008, payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/09, payment of special cash dividend on 12/21/2010, and payment of special cash dividend on 10/27/2011.

(3) Exercisable upon certification of goals being met - 1/3 immediately, 1/3 on 1/28/2006, and 1/3 on 12/13/2006.

(4) Holdings as of 2/29/2012, as reported by plan administrator.

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