

Tumelty John B.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Tumelty John B.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Proto Labs Inc [PRLB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
5540 PIONEER CREEK DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
09/21/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Managing Dir.-Proto Labs, Ltd.

(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

MAPLE PLAIN, MN 55359

(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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	09/21/2012		X <sup>(1)</sup>		20,601	A	\$ 1.79
Common Stock	09/21/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>		20,601	D	\$ 33.6108
Common Stock	09/24/2012		X <sup>(1)</sup>		5,398	A	\$ 1.79
Common Stock	09/24/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>		5,398	D	\$ 33.5
Common Stock	09/25/2012		X <sup>(1)</sup>		9,001	A	\$ 1.79



## 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) Transaction effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 27, 2012.

Reflects the weighted average price of 20,601 shares of common stock of Proto Labs, Inc. sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on September 21, 2012 with sale prices ranging from \$33.50 to \$33.85 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(3) Transaction effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 27, 2012. The transactions reported on this Form 4 conclude the transactions contemplated by the Rule 10b5-1 trading plan.

Reflects the weighted average price of 9,001 shares of common stock of Proto Labs, Inc. sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on September 25, 2012 with sale prices ranging from \$33.50 to \$33.64 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(5) Fully vested.

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