

STURM RUGER & CO INC  
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 \*  
FIFER MICHAEL O

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O STURM, RUGER & CO.,  
INC., 1 LACEY PLACE

(Street)

SOUTHPORT, CT 06890

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

STURM RUGER & CO INC [RGR]

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

02/28/2012

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)

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

**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

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock (Right to Buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	(2)	02/28/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	A		15,393		03/01/2014 <sup>(3)</sup>	11/08/2021 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	15,393
Common Stock (Right to Buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 0 (2)	02/28/2012	A		50,000		12/31/2015	01/01/2016	Common Stock	50,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FIFER MICHAEL O C/O STURM, RUGER & CO., INC. 1 LACEY PLACE SOUTHPORT, CT 06890	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ Leslie M. Gasper,  
attorney-in-fact

02/29/2012

         \*\*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) Restricted stock units subject to performance-based, time-based and other conditions of the award.
- (2) Securities convert to Common Stock on a one-to-one basis on the date vested in accordance with the terms of the award.  
  
On February 28, 2012, four business days following the release of the Company's 2011 earnings on Form 10-K, the performance-based vesting conditions for RSUs awarded in four quarterly tranches in 2011 were determined to have been met. The awards remain subject to a three-year time-based cliff vesting trigger which will be satisfied on March 1, 2014. The quarterly awards expire not later than ten years from their date of grant.
- (4) Time-based retention restricted stock unit award subject to cliff vesting based on continuous service with the Company through December 31, 2015 and other terms of the award.

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