

BROPHEY WILLIAM P  
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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 \*  
BROPHEY WILLIAM 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)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
06/01/2009

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

NORFOLK, VA 23502

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	06/01/2009		A	532 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0	7,032	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2009		M	2,500 A \$ 16.16	9,532	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2009		S	100 D \$ 46.24	9,432	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2009		S	200 D \$ 46.26	9,232	D	
Common Stock	08/03/2009		S	100 D \$ 46.21	9,132	D	

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Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.21	9,032	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.2	8,932	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	200	D	\$ 46.19	8,732	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.19	8,632	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	200	D	\$ 46.19	8,432	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.18	8,430	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.18	8,428	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.18	8,426	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.18	8,424	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.18	8,422	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.18	8,322	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.17	8,222	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.15	8,220	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.15	8,218	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.15	8,216	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.15	8,116	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	2	D	\$ 46.14	8,114	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.14	8,014	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	100	D	\$ 46.14	7,914	D
Common Stock	08/03/2009	S	200	D	\$ 46.05	7,714	D
	08/03/2009	S	100	D		7,614	D

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Common Stock					\$			
					46.05			
Common Stock	08/03/2009		S	582	D	\$	7,032	D
					46.05			

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 16.16	08/03/2009		M	500	11/19/2005 11/19/2009	Common Stock	500
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 16.16	08/03/2009		M	1,000	11/19/2006 11/19/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Stock options (right to buy)	\$ 16.16	08/03/2009		M	1,000	11/19/2007 11/19/2009	Common Stock	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROPHEY WILLIAM P 120 CORPORTE BLVD SUITE 100	X			

NORFOLK, VA 23502

## Signatures

/s/ William P.  
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08/04/2009

\_\_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) 100% of this restricted stock vests on the first anniversary of the date of the grant.

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