

Petersen John W  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Petersen John W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PS BUSINESS PARKS INC/CA [PSB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/07/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT & COO

C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC., 701 WESTERN AVENUE

(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

GLENDALE, CA 91201

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price                                      |
| Common Stock                    | 09/07/2012                           |  | M                              |   | 5,000   | A  | \$ 45.51                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 14,218 <sup>(1)</sup>                      |
| Common Stock                    | 09/07/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 5,000   | D  | \$ 70.2885                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 9,218 <sup>(1)</sup>                       |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | <sup>(3)</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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup> | \$ 45.51   | 09/07/2012                           |  | M                              | 5,000   | 12/01/2005 12/01/2014                                    | Common Stock  | 5,000                         |
| Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup> | \$ 52.35   |                                      |  |                                |   | 03/15/2011 03/15/2020                                    | Common Stock  | 45,000                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Petersen John W<br>C/O PS BUSINESS PARKS, INC.<br>701 WESTERN AVENUE<br>GLENDALE, CA 91201 |               |           | EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT & COO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John W. Petersen  
Date: 09/10/2012

\*\*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) Includes 3,000 restricted share units.
- (2) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2003 Stock Option and Incentive Plan.  
Represents weighted average purchase price. These shares were sold at price ranging between \$70.1700 and \$70.4900. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided by the reporting person upon requested to the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer.

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