

BERNICK CAROL L
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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 *
BERNICK CAROL L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ALBERTO-CULVER
COMPANY, 2525 ARMITAGE
AVENUE

(Street)

MELROSE PARK, IL 60160

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Alberto-Culver CO [ACV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/23/2009

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)
Executive Chairman

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 240,030 | I | FN1 ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,357,331 | I | FN2 ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,762,530 | I | FN3 ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 150,300 | I | FN4 ⁽⁴⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 723,843 | I | FN5 ⁽⁵⁾ |

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|--------------|------------|--|---|---|--------|---------|----------|-----------------------|---|--------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | | | 13,359 | I | FN6 ⁽⁶⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 500,000 | I | FN7 ⁽⁷⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 609,859 | I | FN8 ⁽⁸⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | 09/23/2009 | | G | V | 52,073 | D | <u>9</u> | 0 | I | FN9 ⁽⁹⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 853,870 | I | FN10 ⁽¹⁰⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 151,858 | I | FN11 ⁽¹¹⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 173,791 | I | FN12 ⁽¹²⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 359,068 | I | FN 13 ⁽¹³⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 132,163 | I | FN14 ⁽¹⁴⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 215,979 | I | FN15 ⁽¹⁵⁾ | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 33,000 | D | | | |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BERNICK CAROL L C/O ALBERTO-CULVER COMPANY 2525 ARMITAGE AVENUE MELROSE PARK, IL 60160 | X | X | Executive Chairman | |

Signatures

/s/James M. Spira as attorney-in-fact for Carol L.
Bernick

10/16/2009

__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) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of three trusts dated 11/14/89, each holding 80,010 shares and each for the benefit of a different relative***
- (2) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 10/31/98 for the benefit of her sister.***
- (3) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 4/23/93 for her benefit.
- (4) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 10/20/72 for her benefit.
- (5) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 9/15/93 for her benefit.
- (6) Held by the undersigned as a participant in the Alberto-Culver 401(k) and Profit Sharing Plan. Represents equivalent shares calculated by taking the account balance in the Alberto-Culver Company Stock Fund divided by the closing stock price on September 17, 2009 of \$27.48.
- (7) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 12/18/87 for the benefit of her father.***
- (8) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 9/18/01 for her benefit.
- (9) Gifted by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 8/31/07 for her benefit, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.
- (10) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 9/23/09 for her benefit, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.
- (11) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 10/29/08 for the benefit of her father, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.***
- (12) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 2/27/09 for her benefit, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.
- (13) Held by the undersigned as trustee of a trust dated 10/30/08 for her benefit, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.
- (14) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 2/27/09 for the benefit of her father, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust. ***
- (15) Held by the undersigned as co-trustee of a trust dated 9/28/09 for the benefit of her father, which trust is a Grantor Annuity Trust.***

Remarks:

***The filing of this report shall not be deemed an admission by the undersigned that she is the beneficial owner of these securities.

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