HERRING JOSEPH L

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add HERRING JO	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COVANCE INC [CVD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Tr		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(eneck all applicable)			
COVANCE INC., 210 CARNEGIE CENTER		CARNEGIE	(Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO			
(Street) PRINCETON, NJ 08540-6233			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State)	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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)		
Common Stock	12/18/2012		F	12,074	D	\$ 58.86	262,189	D			
Common Stock - 401(k) Plan							5,121 <u>(1)</u>	I	Held By Trustee		

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HERRING JOSEPH L COVANCE INC. 210 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540-6233	X		Chairman and CEO					

Signatures

/s/ Ross A. Hyams, Power of 12/20/2012 Attorney

**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).

The securities reported were acquired on a periodic basis by the Trustee of the Covance 401(k) plan, a broad-based, tax-qualified employee benefit plan. The information was obtained from the Plan Administrator as of this date. The shares have been accumulated by the Trustee over the employment of the reporting person and the number is based upon the market value of the reporting person's account divided by the then current market price.

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