

BRADY CORP  
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 \*  
Johnson Kathleen

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
6555 WEST GOOD HOPE RD  
(Street)

MILWAUKEE, WI 53223

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BRADY CORP [BRC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/15/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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)	Price		
Class A Common Stock					741.848	D	
Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>					6,025.9209	D	
Class A Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	12/15/2010		M	3,500 A	\$ 16	<sup>(4)</sup>	D
Class A Common	12/15/2010		F	3,500 D	\$ 33.75	<sup>(4)</sup>	D

Stock

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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
Deferred Comp Units	(2)					(2) (2)	Class A Common Stock	(2)
Stock Option	\$ 16	12/15/2010		J	3,500	11/01/2010 11/01/2011	Class A Common Stock	3,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Johnson Kathleen 6555 WEST GOOD HOPE RD MILWAUKEE, WI 53223			Chief Accounting Officer	

## Signatures

Krista Ebbens, as  
Attorney-In-Fact  
12/17/2010  
Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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).

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- (1) Represents shares of Class A Common Stock purchased under the issuer's 401(K) payroll deduction plan.

The deferred compensation stock units were acquired under the Brady Corporation employee deferred compensation plan. Each deferred compensation unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Class A Common Stock. The deferred compensation units become payable in shares of Brady's Class A Common Stock upon the reporting persons cessation of service as an employee of Brady Corporation.

- (2) On December 15, 2010 Ms. Johnson did a "net exercise" of 3,500 stock options (each with an expiration date of November 1, 2011). In that "net exercise," Ms. Johnson acquired 3,500 shares of common stock. The number of shares was net the amount of shares that Brady withheld for the payment of the options' exercise price and taxes incident to the exercise.

- (3) Since the 3,500 shares were purchased and sold on the same day, Ms. Johnson's net number of shares owned remains the same.

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