

WATJEN THOMAS R
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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 *
WATJEN THOMAS R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1 FOUNTAIN SQUARE
(Street)

CHATTANOOGA, TN 374021307

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNUMPROVIDENT CORP [UNM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/23/2007

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)
President and CEO

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/23/2007		A		155,904 (1)	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					12,096	I	By 401(k)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 21.68 (3)	02/23/2007		A	166,100	02/23/2008(4) 02/23/2015	Common Stock 166,100

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WATJEN THOMAS R 1 FOUNTAIN SQUARE CHATTANOOGA, TN 374021307	X		President and CEO	

Signatures

By: Christopher A. Parrott on behalf of 02/26/2007

__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) Grant of restricted stock which vests in three equal installments on 2/23/08, 2/23/09 and 2/23/10.
- (2) This amount includes: Employee Stock Purchase Plan - 1 share; restricted stock - 300,654 shares; and shares owned (direct) outside of any plan - 451,168 shares.
- (3) Conversion is one for one.
- (4) These stock options will vest as follows: 55,366 on 2/23/08; 55,366 on 2/23/09; and 55,367 on 2/23/10.
- (5) Price of Derivative Security is \$0.00.

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