#### QUESTROM ALLEN I

Form 4

September 16, 2010

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* QUESTROM ALLEN I

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SOTHEBYS [BID]

(Check all applicable)

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

09/15/2010

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_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

NEW YORK, NY 10021

1334 YORK AVENUE

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number 4 Transaction of Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. P **Underlying Securities** Der (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date **Expiration Title** Amount Exercisable Date orNumber of Shares Dividend Common (1) Equivalent (1) 09/15/2010 Α 20.54 20.54 Stock Rights

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

QUESTROM ALLEN I
1334 YORK AVENUE X
NEW YORK, NY 10021

# **Signatures**

/s/ Gary Chard as Attorney-In-Fact 09/16/2010

\*\*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 Dividend Equivalent Rights have accrued under the Sotheby's 1998 Stock Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (as amended and restated, the "Plan") with respect to Deferred Stock Units received by the reporting person under the Plan. The Deferred Stock Units and the Dividend Equivalent Rights will be settled 100% in Sotheby's Common Stock (except that fractional shares, if any, will be settled in cash) after the reporting person's termination of service on the Sotheby's Board.

(2) Not Applicable

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