

SOMMER ALFRED  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
SOMMER ALFRED

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BECTON DICKINSON & CO  
[BDX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY, 1 BECTON DRIVE

08/08/2012

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 or Price (A) or (D)                                                                    |                                                          |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/08/2012                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                   | 2,276                                                                                         | A                                                        | \$ 49.05 18,504 D                 |
| Common Stock                    | 08/08/2012                           |                                                    | A                              |                                                                   | 2,160                                                                                         | A                                                        | \$ 57.21 20,664 D                 |
| Common Stock                    | 08/08/2012                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 4,436                                                                                         | D                                                        | \$ 75.38 16,228 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 49.05                                               | 08/08/2012                           |                                                    | M                              | 2,276                                                                                   | <sup>(2)</sup> 02/11/2014                                | Common Stock                                                  | 2,276                         |
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 57.21                                               | 08/08/2012                           |                                                    | M                              | 2,160                                                                                   | <sup>(3)</sup> 02/01/2015                                | Common Stock                                                  | 2,160                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SOMMER ALFRED<br>C/O BECTON, DICKINSON AND COMPANY<br>1 BECTON DRIVE<br>FRANKLIN LAKES, NJ 07417 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Patricia Walesiewicz, by power of attorney for Alfred Sommer  
08/09/2012

\_\_\_\_\_  
\*\*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 reported sale price reflects the weighted average sale price for multiple transactions. The actual sales prices for the transactions (1) ranged from \$75.36 through \$75.39. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided to the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer upon request.

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- (2) The option became exercisable in four annual installments beginning February 11, 2005.
- (3) The option became exercisable in four annual installments beginning February 1, 2006.

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