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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MARSHALL THURGOOD JR | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA</u> [CXW] | | ationship of Reporting Pers k all applicable) Director Officer (give title | on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify |
|---|------------------|---------------------|--|------------------------|---|--|
| (Last) 2020 K. STREET | (First) (Middle) | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2012 | | below) | below) |
| (Street) WASHINGTON DC 20006 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | vidual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More thar Person | orting Person |
| | ٦ | able I - Non-Deriva | ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi | cially | Owned | |

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | nstr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | ar) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8) Execution Date, Code (Instr. 5) Code (Instr. 5) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Securit Benefic Owned | | xecution Date, any Ionth/Day/Year) 8) Transaction Code (Instr. 5) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Own Own | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------|---|--------|---|---|---|--|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| (cigi, puts, curs, variants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 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. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Num of Deriva Securi Acquir (A) or Dispos of (D) (Instr. 3 and 5) | tive ties red sed 3, 4 | 6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | e | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$26.26 | 03/16/2012 | | A | | 6,711 | | 04/30/2013 ⁽¹⁾ | 03/16/2022 | CXW Common Stock | 6,711 | \$0.00 | 6,711 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$0.00 ⁽²⁾ | 03/16/2012 | | A | | 1,904 | | 04/30/2013 ⁽²⁾ | 04/30/2013 | CXW Common Stock | 1,904 | \$0.00 | 1,904 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Option will vest in full on April 30, 2013.

2. Each restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive a share of CXW Common Stock. RSU's vest in full on April 30, 2013.

Remarks:

Scott L. Craddock, Attorney in Fact

03/20/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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