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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Name and Address of Reporting Person * Nelson Ronald E.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR CO [COLM]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY, 14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/29/2012								re title below)		her (specify be	ow)	
(Street)				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						_X_ F	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
PORTLAND, OR 97229 (City) (State) (Zip)										ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned					
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acqui (A) or Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)							7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
				(Wonday D	uy, rour)	Coo	de V	V Amou	(A) or (D)	Price	11154. 9 and 4)			or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock		05/29/2012			M	1	265	A	\$ 0 565				D	
Common	Stock		05/29/2012			M	1	464	A	\$ 0 1,02	29			D	
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Restricted Stock Units	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, i	e.g., puts, 4. f Transact Code r) (Instr. 8)	5. Notion of Derivation (A) Disport (Including the second of the second	furnats, fumber ivative urities uired or cossed D) tr. 3, and 5)	options, 6. Date E Expiratio (Month/I	conver exercisal on Date Day/Yea	tible secur ble and ar)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 an	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	Owners Form o Derivat Security Direct (or Indir	hip of Indired Beneficia Ownersh (Instr. 4)

Reporting Owners

Danielia - Omina Nama / Addina	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Nelson Ronald E. C/O COLUMBIA SPORTSWEAR COMPANY 14375 NW SCIENCE PARK DRIVE PORTLAND, OR 97229	X					

Signatures

Peter J. Bragdon, Attorney-in-Fact	05/29/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable indicated. One share of Common Stock will be automatically delivered to the reporting person for each restricted stock unit that vests. If a vesting date falls on a weekend or any other day on which the Nasdaq Stock Market ("NSM") or any national securities (1) exchange on which the Common Stock then is principally traded (the "Exchange") is not open, affected RSUs shall vest on the next following NSM or Exchange business day, as the case may be.

Restricted stock units vest 100% on the first anniversary of the grant date. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the anniversary of the grant date. If a vesting date (2) falls on a weekend or any other day on which the Nasdaq Stock Market ("NSM") or any national securities exchange on which the Common Stock then is principally traded (the "Exchange") is not open, affected RSUs shall vest on the next following NSM or Exchange business day, as the case may be.

(3) N/A

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