

21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
LAWSON EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO  
[TCHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK  
BLVD., SUITE 300  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/13/2008

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

LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	1,100	D \$ 11.75	477,209	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	100	D \$ 11.76	477,109	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	200	D \$ 11.77	476,909	D
Common Stock	05/13/2008		S	100	D \$ 11.78	476,809	D
Common Stock						233,465	I Held by spouse,

				Michele V Lawson
Common Stock	10,000	I		Held by daughter

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
Options	\$ 15.79					Date Exercisable 12/05/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> Expiration Date 12/05/2011	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 100,000
Options	\$ 27.79					Date Exercisable 12/15/2007 <sup>(2)</sup> Expiration Date 12/15/2011	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 25,000
Options	\$ 13.17					Date Exercisable 12/06/2008 <sup>(1)</sup> Expiration Date 12/06/2013	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 500
Options	\$ 13.56					Date Exercisable 01/30/2009 <sup>(3)</sup> Expiration Date 01/30/2013	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 4,500
Options	\$ 13.17					Date Exercisable 12/06/2008 <sup>(1)</sup> Expiration Date 12/06/2013	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares 500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X		CEO & Chairman	

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3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD., SUITE 300  
LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311

## Signatures

Edward J.  
Lawson

05/14/2008

\*\*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) Options vest 20% per year.
- (2) Options are fully vested.
- (3) Options vest 25% per year.

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