

ROBINSON JANET L  
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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 \*  
 ROBINSON JANET L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE NEW YORK TIMES  
 COMPANY, 620 EIGHTH  
 AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10018

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/19/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 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)	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Option <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 3.625	02/19/2009	A		500,000		<sup>(1)</sup>	02/19/2019	Class A Common Stock	500,000
Cash-settled Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>	02/19/2009	A		50,000		<sup>(2)</sup>	<sup>(2)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	50,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROBINSON JANET L THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY 620 EIGHTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10018	X		President and CEO	

## Signatures

Kenneth A. Richieri, Attorney-in-Fact for Janet L. Robinson  
Date: 02/20/2009

<sup>\*\*</sup>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) Right to buy Class A Common Stock granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 19, 2010.
- (2) The cash-settled restricted stock units were granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. Each cash-settled restricted stock unit will vest on February 19, 2012 and entitles the holder to receive the cash equivalent of one share of Class A Common Stock based on the market value of Class A Common Stock at vesting.

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