FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Ferson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BARRETT BUSINESS SERVICES INC BBSI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>Justesen Jon L</u>			British Bestive Best	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) 8100 NE PARKWA SUITE 200	(First) AY DRIVE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2009		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Street) VANCOUVER (City)	WA (State)	98662 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One	Person			

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.			4. Securities Ac Disposed Of (D)			Securities Beneficially Owned	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	3 and 4)		(111301. 4)

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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$11.08	01/16/2009		A		2,000		01/16/2010 ⁽¹⁾	01/16/2019	Common Stock	2,000	\$0	2,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

James D. Miller, as attorney-in-fact 01/21/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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^{1.} Becomes exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning January 16, 2010.

^{*} 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).