SCHMIDT GARY P

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr SCHMIDT GA	-	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Alberto-Culver CO [ACV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Enternal approache)			
745 WHITE WILLOW BAY		ΛY	(Month/Day/Year) 11/17/2009	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP, Gen. Coun. & Sec.			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PALATINE, II	L 60067		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) from Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/17/2009		M	28,592	A	\$ 20.305	56,051	D	
Common Stock	11/17/2009		S	28,592	D	\$ 29	27,459	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2009		M	9,058	A	\$ 20.305	36,517	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2009		S	9,058	D	\$ 29	27,459	D	
Common Stock							12,994	I	FN 1 (1)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration D Securities (Month/Day/ Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		ate Underlying Securi	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 20.305	11/17/2009		M	28,592	(2)	09/30/2016	Common Stock	28,592
Employee Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 20.305	11/18/2009		M	9,058	(2)	09/30/2016	Common Stock	9,058

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHMIDT GARY P

745 WHITE WILLOW BAY Sr. VP, Gen. Coun. & Sec.

PALATINE, IL 60067

Signatures

/s/James M. Spira as attorney-in-fact for Gary P. Schmidt 11/18/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- (1) Held in the 401(k) and Profit Sharing Sharing Plan. Represents Eaquivalent Shares calculated by taking the account balance divided by the closing stock price as of November 17, 2009 of \$29.00.
- (2) This option is fully vested.

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