

BAUMER JOHN  
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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 \*  
BAUMER JOHN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O LEANARD GREEN & PARTNERS, LP, 11111 SANTA MONICA BLVD.

(Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90025

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VCA ANTECH INC [WOOF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/24/2012

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)

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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	02/24/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		30,000	A	\$ 19.75
							43,194
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	02/24/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>		30,000	D	\$ 22.3793
							13,194

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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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.75	02/24/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	30,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/21/2012	Common Stock	30,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BAUMER JOHN C/O LEANARD GREEN & PARTNERS, LP 11111 SANTA MONICA BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90025	X			

## Signatures

/s/ John Baumer                      02/24/2012  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) The transactions reported are in connection with the exercise of stock options with an expiration date of March 31, 2012.  
 The transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$22.28 to \$22.48. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (3) The shares subject to this option vested as follows: 50% on March 21, 2006 and the remaining 50% on March 21, 2007.

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