

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Jones Hal</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1150 15TH STREET, NW</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>WASHINGTON DC 20071</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/01/2009</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>WASHINGTON POST CO [WPO]</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior VP - Finance & CFO</u>	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Class B Common Stock</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>D</u>	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
<u>Employee Stock Option (right to buy)</u>	<u>12/04/2003⁽¹⁾</u>	<u>12/04/2012</u>	<u>Class B Common Stock</u>	<u>729</u>	<u>D</u>	
<u>Employee Stock Option (right to buy)</u>	<u>05/12/2009⁽²⁾</u>	<u>05/12/2018</u>	<u>Class B Common Stock</u>	<u>651.91</u>	<u>D</u>	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1,000 shares of Class B Common Stock awarded on 12/4/2002 and vested at 250 per year over four years. All shares are now fully vested.
2. Employee stock option was granted on 5/12/2008 and vests annually over four years, 500 shares per year.

Hal Jones
01/05/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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