

GRAY RICHARD S  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
GRAY RICHARD S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP INC [HHGP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP, INC., 560 LEXINGTON AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/21/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/21/2012		A <sup>(1)</sup>		11,184 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 47,234 D
Common Stock	02/21/2012		F <sup>(2)</sup>		1,162 <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 4.76 46,072 D
Common Stock					11,207.201	I	By 401(k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					2,538.403	I	By Plan <sup>(4)</sup>

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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock	(5)					(5) 02/24/2014	Common Stock	4,666
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.17					(6) 06/25/2013	Common Stock	18,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.25					(7) 01/18/2015	Common Stock	80,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GRAY RICHARD S HUDSON HIGHLAND GROUP, INC. 560 LEXINGTON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ John K. Wilson,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2012

\*\*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) Vesting to reporting person of restricted stock upon attainment of performance criteria. Vesting is also subject to a service condition as follows: 33% vested on February 21, 2012, 33% vest on February 16, 2013 and 34% vest on February 16, 2014.
- (2) Reflects payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock incident to vesting of restricted stock previously issued.
- (3) Balance reflects the most current data available with regard to holdings in the 401(k) Plan.
- (4) Balance reflects the reporting person's holdings in the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan as of the date of this filing.
- (5) The shares of restricted stock vest as follows: 1/3 upon the 20-day average closing stock price of HHGP reaching each of \$6.00, \$9.00 and \$12.00.  
  
Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (6) The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 50% after 1st anniversary of the date of grant, 75% after 2nd anniversary, and 100% after 3rd anniversary.
- (7) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under the Hudson Highland Group, Inc. Long Term Incentive Plan.  
The option vests and becomes exercisable as follows: 50% after 3rd anniversary of the date of grant and 100% after 4th anniversary.

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