

Polacek Steve  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Polacek Steve

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
C H ROBINSON WORLDWIDE INC [CHRW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

14701 CHARLSON ROAD

(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

EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55347

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	12/31/2008		A	23	<sup>(1)</sup> \$ 55.03	D	

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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					12/31/2007 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/31/2011 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	553
Phantom Stock (Director)	(2)					(4) (4)	Common Stock	276
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					(4) (4)	Common Stock	277
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					(4) (4)	Common Stock	276
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					(4) (4)	Common Stock	274
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					12/31/2008 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/31/2012 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	981
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)					(4) (4)	Common Stock	294
Phantom Stock (Director Units)	(2)	12/31/2008		A	273	(4) (4)	Common Stock	273

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Polacek Steve 14701 CHARLSON ROAD EDEN PRAIRIE, MN 55347		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Troy Renner, Attorney in Fact for Steve Polacek 01/05/2009

\_\_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) Issued as director compensation under the Company's Director Stock Plan.
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) Vests annually each year end based on the financial performance of the Company, beginning and ending the dates shown.
- (4) Issued as Director compensation, upon board termination, the shares of phantom stock become payable in common stock in accordance with the election of the reporting person.

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