BENTEN R ANTHONY
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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 *
BENTEN R ANTHONY

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY, 620 EIGHTH AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10018

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW YORK TIMES CO [NYT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/19/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
S.V.P., Finance and Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Option (1)	$ 3.625	02/19/2009		A	26,400		(1)	02/19/2019	Class A Common Stock	26,40
Cash-settled Restricted Stock Unit (2)	(2)	02/19/2009		A	3,000		(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENTEN R ANTHONY THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY 620 EIGHTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10018			S.V.P., Finance and Controller	

Signatures

Kenneth A. Richieri, Attorney-in-Fact for R. Anthony Benten	02/20/2009
**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)** Right to buy Class A Common Stock granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 19, 2010.
- **(2)** The cash-settled restricted stock units were granted under The New York Times Company 1991 Executive Stock Incentive Plan. Each cash-settled restricted stock unit will vest on February 19, 2012 and entitles the holder to receive the cash equivalent of one share of Class A Common Stock based on the market value of Class A Common Stock at vesting.

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