CAPELLA EDUCATION CO

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

CAPELLA EDUCATION CO

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Thom Gregory W

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

225 SOUTH 6TH STREET, 9TH

FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

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

12/21/2007

Symbol

[CPLA]

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 Other (specify below)

General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

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)	· / /		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common stock	12/21/2007		M	350	A	\$ 11.92	3,000	D	
Common							1 027	T	By ESOP

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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 11.92	12/21/2007	M	350	<u>(1)</u>	10/22/2013	Common stock	350	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Thom Gregory W							
225 SOUTH 6TH STREET			General				
9TH FLOOR			Counsel				
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402							

Signatures

/s/ Gregory W.
Thom

**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) Options vested as to 25% of the shares annually beginning October 23, 2004
- (2) As last reported on March 6, 2007

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