

ROONEY L F III  
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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 \*  
ROONEY L F III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

HELMERICH & PAYNE INC [HP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1437 S. BOULDER AVE., SUITE 1400

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

12/21/2012

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

(Street)  
TULSA, OK 74119

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 or Price		
Common Stock	12/21/2012		M		2,800 A \$ 12.08	10,158	D
Common Stock	12/21/2012		M		1,316 A \$ 13.055	11,474	D
Common Stock	12/21/2012		M		4,208 A \$ 16.01	15,682	D
Common Stock	12/21/2012		M		4,122 A \$ 21.065	19,804	D
Common Stock	12/21/2012		M		2,349 A \$ 38.015	22,153	D

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Common Stock	12/21/2012	M	1,902	A	\$ 47.935	24,055	D	
Common Stock						58,000	I	Shares held by Manhattan Finance LP
Common Stock						8,000	I	Shares held by Rooney Family Investments, Ltd

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.08	12/21/2012		M	2,800	12/03/2003 12/03/2013	Common Stock	2,800
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.055	12/21/2012		M	1,316	09/01/2004 09/01/2014	Common Stock	1,316
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.01	12/21/2012		M	4,208	12/01/2004 12/01/2014	Common Stock	4,208
Stock Option	\$ 21.065	12/21/2012		M	4,122	12/02/2008 12/02/2018	Common Stock	4,122

(right to buy)

Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 38.015	12/21/2012	M	2,349	12/01/2009	12/01/2019	Common Stock	2,349
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Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.935	12/21/2012	M	1,902	12/07/2010	12/07/2020	Common Stock	1,902
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROONEY L F III 1437 S. BOULDER AVE., SUITE 1400 TULSA, OK 74119	X			

## Signatures

Jonathan M. Cinocca, by Power of Attorney for Francis Rooney	12/21/2012
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\_\_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).

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