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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement CORRECTIONS CORP OF AMERICA [CXW] Collins Brian D (Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 10 BURTON HILLS BLVD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person NASHVILLE, TNÂ 37215 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One EVP & Chief HR Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) **CXW Common Stock** D Â 3,940 (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.},\ puts,\ calls,\ warrants,\ options,\ convertible\ securities)$

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisab	le and	3. Title and A	Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying		Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial	
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)		Derivative Security		or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative	Security:	
					Security	Direct (D)	
						or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	07/03/2007(2)	07/03/2016	CXW Common Stock	13,020	\$ 17.65	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/16/2008(2)	02/16/2017	CXW Common Stock	11,408	\$ 26.53	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/20/2009(2)	02/20/2018	CXW Common Stock	13,619	\$ 26.71	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/18/2010(2)	02/20/2019	CXW Common Stock	20,429	\$ 10.73	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Fg	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other		
Collins Brian D 10 BURTON HILLS BLVD NASHVILLE Â TNÂ 37215	Â	Â	EVP & Chief HR Officer	Â		

Signatures

Scott Craddock, Attorney
In Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Restricted shares subject to time and performance based vesting conditions.
- (2) Options vest in 1/4 increments over four year period on the anniversary dates of the grant.

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