HECHT WILLIAM F

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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may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HECHT WILLIAM F**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL

INC /DE/ [XRAY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2012

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

Lead Director

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221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET, WEST BUILDING/DENTSPLY

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Issuer

below)

YORK, PA 17405

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year) TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (E	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock (Directors' Deferred Comp)	(1)	03/23/2012		A	425.274 (2)	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	425.274

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HECHT WILLIAM F 221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET WEST BUILDING/DENTSPLY YORK, PA 17405

Lead Director

Signatures

Deborah M. Rasin, POA for William F. Hecht

03/27/2012

**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) Shares of phantom stock convert to common stock on a 1:1 basis.
- (2) Dividend on existing account balance.
- (3) Value paid in stock upon retirement.
- (4) Not applicable to this transaction.

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