

SMITH THOMAS W  
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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 \*  
SMITH THOMAS W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WORLD ACCEPTANCE CORP  
[WRLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
323 RAILROAD AVENUE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/06/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Member of Section 13(d) Group

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/06/2010		P		4,600	A	\$ 33.21	50,600	I	By Thomas W. Smith Family Accounts <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock								500,000	D	
Common Stock								740,790	I	By Idoya Partners L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock								1,338,005	I	By Prescott Associates

Class of Securities	Quantity	Code	Beneficial Owner
Common Stock	49,931	I	L.P. <sup>(3)</sup> By Prescott International Partners L.P. <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock	100,000	I	By Prescott Investors Profit Sharing Trust <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock	10,000	I	By Thomas W. Smith Foundation <sup>(6)</sup>

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

SMITH THOMAS W  
323 RAILROAD AVENUE  
GREENWICH, CT 06830

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

X

Member of Section 13(d) Group

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas W.  
Smith

05/10/2010

\_\_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) These shares are owned directly by accounts established for the benefit of certain family members of the Reporting Person. The inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose and the Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

(2) These shares are owned directly by Idoya Partners L.P. ("Idoya"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as general partner of Idoya. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest under Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for Idoya is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

(3) These shares are owned directly by Prescott Associates L.P. ("Prescott Associates"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as general partner of Prescott Associates. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest under Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for Prescott Associates is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

(4) These shares are owned directly by Prescott International Partners L.P. ("PIP"), a private investment limited partnership, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as general partner of PIP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest under Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B). The address for PIP is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

(5) These shares are owned directly by the Prescott Investors Profit Sharing Trust ("Trust") and indirectly by the Reporting Person as trustee of the Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest under 16a-8(b)(2)(ii). The address of the Trust is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

(6) These shares are owned directly by the Thomas W. Smith Foundation ("Foundation") and indirectly by the Reporting Person as trustee of the Foundation. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his pecuniary interest under 16a-8(b)(2)(ii). The address for the Foundation is 323 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830

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