

21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO  
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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**LAWSON EDWARD J**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**21ST CENTURY HOLDING CO [TCHC]**

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
**3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD., SUITE 300**  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/14/2008**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**CEO & Chairman**

**LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S	1,408	D	\$ 11.53	475,401 D
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S	635	D	\$ 11.58	474,766 D
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S	200	D	\$ 11.6	474,566 D
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S	2,500	D	\$ 11.62	472,066 D
Common Stock	05/14/2008		S	600	D	\$ 11.63	471,466 D

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Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	1,063	D	\$ 11.01	470,403	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	400	D	\$ 11.02	470,003	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	136	D	\$ 11.1	469,867	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	700	D	\$ 11.12	469,167	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	12,449	D	\$ 11.32	456,718	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	2,274	D	\$ 11.33	454,444	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	426	D	\$ 11.34	454,018	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	100	D	\$ 11.35	453,918	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 11.36	452,918	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	351	D	\$ 11.37	452,567	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	900	D	\$ 11.38	451,667	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	2,400	D	\$ 11.4	449,267	D	
Common Stock	05/15/2008	S	100	D	\$ 11.41	449,167	D	
Common Stock						233,465	I	Held by spouse, Michele V Lawson
Common Stock						10,000	I	Held by daughter

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4.	5. TransactionNumber	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8.
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options	\$ 15.79						12/05/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/05/2011	Common Stock	100,000
Options	\$ 27.79						12/15/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	12/15/2011	Common Stock	25,000
Options	\$ 13.17						12/06/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/06/2013	Common Stock	500
Options	\$ 13.56						01/30/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/30/2013	Common Stock	4,500
Options	\$ 13.17						12/06/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/06/2013	Common Stock	500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAWSON EDWARD J 3661 WEST OAKLAND PARK BLVD., SUITE 300 LAUDERDALE LAKES, FL 33311	X		CEO & Chairman	

## Signatures

Edward J. Lawson                                      05/16/2008

\_\_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 vest 20% per year.
- (2) Options are fully vested.
- (3) Options vest 25% per year.

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