APOLLO GROUP INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * De Concini Dino J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

APOLLO GROUP INC [APOL]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

(Stata)

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

_X__ Director

below)

10% Owner

4025 S. RIVERPOINT PKWY.

01/16/2009

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

_ Other (specify Officer (give title

(Zin)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

PHOENIX, AZ 85040

(City)

| (City) | (State) | Tabl | e I - Non-D | Derivative | Secur | ities Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) | 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) |
| Class A Common Stock | 01/16/2009 | | M | 6,500 | A | \$ 41.83 | 15,022 (1) | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 01/16/2009 | | S | 6,500 | D | \$ 87.23 | 8,522 (1) | D | |

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number proof 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amour or Number of Shares |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 41.83 | 01/16/2009 | | M | 6,500 | (2) | 09/01/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 6,50 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |

De Concini Dino J 4025 S. RIVERPOINT PKWY. X PHOENIX, AZ 85040

Signatures

By: Joseph L. D'Amico For: Dino J.

DeConcini

01/21/2009

**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).
- Includes 2,015 shares of the Issuer's Class A common stock subject to restricted stock units granted on October 31, 2008 that will be
 (1) issued when those units vest upon the Reporting Person's continuation in Board service with the Issuer through August 31, 2009, subject to accelerated vesting of the entire award upon certain changes in ownership or control of the Issuer.
- (2) The option became exercisable for all of the option shares on March 2, 2003.

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