SOLOMON HOWARD

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **SOLOMON HOWARD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

FOREST LABORATORIES INC

(Check all applicable)

Chairman and CEO

[FRX]

12/06/2009

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(State)

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

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC., 909 THIRD AVENUE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > (Zin)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie ord Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	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)
Common Stock	12/06/2009		F	6,778	D	\$ 31.445	942,607	D	
Common Stock	12/07/2009		A	125,000 (1)	A	\$0	1,067,607 (2)	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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction	5. Number of on Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Monday) 1	cai)	(msu. 3 and	•)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.265	12/07/2009		A	140,000	06/07/2010	12/06/2019	Common Stock	140,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SOLOMON HOWARD C/O FOREST LABORATORIES, INC. 909 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Howard
Solomon 12/08/2009

**Signature of 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).
- These shares of common stock are issued under the Company's 2007 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to a risk of forfeiture, which
- (1) lapses as to 25% of the shares on the six month anniversary, 50% of the shares on the first anniversary and 25% of the shares on the second anniversary of the grant date (December 7, 2009).
- (2) This amount includes shares of common stock which are subject to a risk of forfeiture.
- (3) Not Applicable.

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