

Bush Jonathan
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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 *
Bush Jonathan

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O ATHENAHEALTH, INC., 311 ARSENAL STREET

 (Street)
WATERTOWN, MA 02472

 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ATHENAHEALTH INC [ATHN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/10/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/10/2008 | | S | 230 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 31.32 | 242,410 | I | See Footnote ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 361,190 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 100,000 | I | See Footnote ⁽³⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 13,995 | I | See Footnote ⁽⁴⁾ |

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purpose.

- (4) These shares are owned by The Jonathan J. Bush, Jr. 2007 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, the beneficiaries of which are Mr. Bush and certain of his children. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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