ORTHODONTIC CENTERS OF AMERICA INC /DE/

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1940 6. Relationship of Reporting 1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Issuer Name 4. Statement for Person' and Ticker or Trading Symbol Month/Day/Year Person(s) to Issuer Tryforos, Thomas N. (Check all applicable) **ORTHODONTIC CENTERS** 10/25/02 _ Director X 10% Owner OF AMERICA, INC. (Last) (First) **OCA** Officer (give title below) X Other (Middle) (specify below) 323 Railroad Avenue 5. If Amendment, 3. I.R.S. Identification Date of Original Description Member of Number of Reporting (Street) (Month/Day/Year) Section 13(d) Group Person, if an entity Greenwich, CT 06830 (voluntary) 7. Individual or Joint/Group (State) (City) Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Zip) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

| | 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 h(A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Owner-ship Form: Direct (D) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | Code | ٧ | Amount | A/D | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/25/02 | | P | | 25,000 | Α | \$9.50 | 2,196,500 | ı | (1) By Idoya Partners | | | |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/25/02 | | P | | 23,500 | Α | \$9.50 | 2,077,000 | I | (2) By Prescott Associates | | | |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/25/02 | | Р | | 1,500 | Α | \$9.50 | 125,700 | I | (3) By Prescott International Partners | | | |

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| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/28/02 | | | | | 75,000 | A | \$9.31 | 9.31 2,271,50 | | ı | (1) By Idoya Partners | | |
|---|--|---|--|----|--|-----------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|---------|--|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/28/02 | | | Р | | 71,000 | А | \$9.31 | 2,148,00 | 0 | ı | (2) By Prescott Associates | | |
| Common Stock, \$.01 par value | 10/28/02 | | | Р | | 4,000 | А | \$9.31 | 129,700 | 129,700 | | (3) By Prescott International Partners | | |
| | 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 | Transaction De Date Ex. Da (Month/ Day/ Year) (M. Day | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year) | 4. | | of Derivat Secu | and ive Exp intities() ed (Mo | sab e{li biratio 8 e ED) | 7. Title and (Dibi)unt of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and (I | | Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr.4) | 10. Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4) | 11. Na In Be Ov (Ir |

of

Shares

Title

Explanation of Responses:

- 1) These shares are owned directly by Idoya Partners ("IP"), a member of a Section 13(d) Reporting Group, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of IP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B).
- (2) These shares are owned directly by Prescott Associates ("PA"), a member of a Section 13(d) Reporting Group, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of PA. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B).
- (3) These shares are owned directly by Prescott International Partners ("PIP"), a member of a Section 13(d) Reporting Group, and indirectly by the Reporting Person as a general partner of PIP. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares in excess of his interest under 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B).

By:

/s/ Thomas N. Tryforos

10/29/02

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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