Wardell Charles WB III Form 4 November 03, 2009

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wardell Charles WB III			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol COWEN GROUP, INC. [COWN]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	(First) (I	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2009			_X_ Director	(Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10022			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o 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	11/02/2009			A	2,000	A	<u>(1)</u>	2,000	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)

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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 of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units (2)	<u>(3)</u>	11/02/2009		A	6,309	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	6,309	\$
Restricted Stock Units (4)	<u>(5)</u>	11/02/2009		A	3,425	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	3,425	\$

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Wardell Charles WB III C/O COWEN GROUP, INC. 599 LEXINGTON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Charles W.B.
Wardell, III

\*\*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).
- Received in exchange for 2,000 shares of common stock of Cowen Holdings, Inc. (f/k/a Cowen Group, Inc.) ("Cowen Holdings") in connection with the merger of Lexington Merger Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Issuer (f/k/a LexingtonPark Parent Corp.), with and into Cowen Holdings (the "Merger").
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units are vested and not subject to forfeiture. The shares underlying the Restricted Stock Units will be delivered in accordance with the terms of the award agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- (3) Received upon conversion of 6,309 Restricted Stock Units of Cowen Holdings in connection with the Merger. Restricted Stock Units convert into shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer upon settlement.
- (4) The Restricted Stock Units are vested and not subject to forfeiture. The shares underlying the Restricted Stock Units will be delivered in accordance with the terms of the award agreement between the Issuer and the Reporting Person.
- (5) Grant of Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. Restricted Stock Units convert into Class A Common Stock of the Issuer upon settlement.

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