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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|--|--|--------------------|---|--|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SHUTTERSTOCK, INC. | | | Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director | 10% Owne | r (Mon | Amendment, Da th/Day/Year) | ate of Original Filed | | | |
| 60 BROAD STREET, 30TH FLOOR | | | X Officer (give title below) | Other (spec | , 0. 1110 | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check oplicable Line) | | | | |
| (Street) | | | Chief Technology (| Officer | X | • | y One Reporting Person | | | |
| NEW YORK NY 10004 | | | | | | Form filed by Reporting Pe | y More than One erson | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | eneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownershi Form: Direct or Indirect ((Instr. 5) | t (D) (Instr. | ature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership tr. 5) | | | | |
| (е. | | | e Securities Beneficially C nts, options, convertible | | s) | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 5. Ownership Form: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | |
| | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivative Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (1) | 03/31/2021 | Common Stock | 100,000 | 14.17 | D | | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (2) | 03/31/2021 | Common Stock | 50,000 | 17 | D | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The option vests over four years, with 25% of the shares subject to the option vesting on April 1, 2012 and 6.25% of the shares subject to the option vesting on the first day of each calendar quarter thereafter.
- 2. The option vests over six years, with 16.7% of the shares subject to the option vesting on December 20, 2012 and 4.165% of the shares subject to the option vesting on the first day of each calendar quarter thereafter.

Remarks:

Exhibit List Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ David M. Ruff, attorney-in-

<u>fact</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

10/10/2012

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Thilo Semmelbauer, Timothy E. Bixby, Michael Lesser and outside corporate counsel, Brian B. Margolis and David M. Ruff, and each of them acting or signing alone, as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or stockholder of Shutterstock, Inc. (the "Company"), any and all reports required to be filed by the undersigned in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder:
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 or other required report and timely file such report with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned, pursuant to this Power of Attorney, shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or his or her substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that no such attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is hereby assuming, nor is the Company hereby assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file reports under Section 16 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed effective as of the 1st day of October 2012.

| /s/ James Chou | | |
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| (Signature) | | |
| Printed Name: | James Chou | |
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