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

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NORDSTROM, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Washington

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

91-0515058

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

1617 Sixth Avenue, 6th Floor Seattle, Washington 98101 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, including zip code) Robert Sari 1700 Seventh Avenue, 7th Floor Seattle, Washington 98101 (206) 628-2111

(Name, address and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan ("DDCP") Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan ("EDCP")

(Full Title of Plans)

Copies to:

D. Wayne Gittinger William W. Lin

Lane Powell PC

1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4100 Seattle, Washington 98101-2338

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definition of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (Check one):

Large accelerated filer \square

Accelerated filer o

Non-accelerated filer o

Smaller reporting company o

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
		Maximum	Maximum	
Title of Securities	Amount To Be	Offering Price Per	Aggregate Offering	Amount of
To Be Registered	Registered	Share	Price	Registration Fee
EDCP Deferred Compensation Obligations (1)	\$20,000,000(3)	100%	\$20,000,000(3)	\$1,116.00
DDCP Deferred Compensation Obligations (2)	\$3,000,000(4)	100%	\$3,000,000(4)	\$167.40
TOTAL:			\$23,000,000	\$1,283.40

- (1) The EDCP Deferred Compensation Obligations are unsecured obligations of Nordstrom, Inc. to pay deferred compensation in the future in accordance with the terms of the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) The DDCP Deferred Compensation Obligations are unsecured obligations of Nordstrom, Inc. to pay deferred compensation in the future in accordance with the terms of the Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3) The amount registered is based upon an estimate of the amount of compensation to be deferred by participants in the EDCP and is estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee, and pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
- (4) The amount registered is based upon an estimate of the amount of compensation to be deferred by participants in the DDCP and is estimated solely for purposes of calculating the registration fee, and pursuant to Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

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PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS

Information required by Part I to be contained in the Section 10(a) prospectus is omitted from this Registration Statement in accordance with the Introductory Note to Part I of Form S-8.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.

The following documents filed by Nordstrom, Inc. (the "Company" or "Registrant") with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") are hereby incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

- (a) The Registrant's latest Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended January 31, 2009, filed with the Commission on March 23, 2009;
- (b) All other reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Annual Report on Form 10-K referred to in (a) above, including the Registrant's definitive proxy statement filed with the Commission on April 9, 2009 and the Registrant's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended May 2, 2009 filed with the Commission on June 9, 2009 and August 1, 2009 filed with the Commission on September 9, 2009, and the Registrant's current reports on Form 8-K; and
- (c) The description of the Registrant's Common Stock contained in any registration statement or report that the Registrant has filed under the Exchange Act, including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description.

All reports and other documents filed by the Registrant pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the date hereof and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that the securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters the securities covered hereby then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof commencing on the respective dates on which such documents are filed (such documents, and the documents listed above, being hereinafter referred to as "Incorporated Documents").

Any statement contained in an Incorporated Document shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed Incorporated Document modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement contained herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained in any subsequently filed Incorporated Document modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

Item 4. Description of Securities.

The securities registered hereunder are deferred compensation obligations of the Company under (i) the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (2007 Restatement), as amended by Amendment 2008-1 and Amendment 2008-2 to the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan, and (ii) the Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (2007 Restatement), as amended by Amendment 2009-1 to the Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (collectively, the "Plans"). These deferred compensation obligations represent the contractual obligations of the Company to pay or distribute when due to participants in the Plans cash or shares of Company

common stock with respect to amounts deferred in accordance with the terms of the Plans. The right of each participant in the Plans is that of a general, unsecured creditor of the Company. The Plans are unfunded and the Company is not required to set aside assets to be used for payment of the deferred compensation obligations under the Plans. A participant's interest under the Plans may not be sold, transferred, pledged or otherwise encumbered.

Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.

Certain legal matters relating to the deferred compensation obligations will be passed upon for the Registrant by Lane Powell PC, Seattle, Washington. As of August 31, 2009, D. Wayne Gittinger, a shareholder at Lane Powell PC, was the beneficial owner of 15,471,634 shares of Nordstrom common stock, including 66,984 shares held by him individually, 13,845,806 shares owned by his wife individually, 3,644 shares held by his wife in the Registrant's 401(k) Plan and Profit Sharing, and 1,555,200 shares held by a trust of which his wife is a trustee and beneficiary.

Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.

Sections 23B.08.500 through 23B.08.600 of the Washington Business Corporation Act authorize a court to award, or a corporation's board of directors to grant, indemnification to directors and officers on terms sufficiently broad to permit indemnification under certain circumstances for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 'Securities Act"). Section 23B.08.320 of the Washington Business Corporation Act authorizes a corporation to limit a director's liability to the corporation or its shareholders for monetary damages for acts or omissions as a director, except in certain circumstances involving intentional misconduct, self-dealing or illegal corporate loans or distributions, or in any transactions from which the director personally receives a benefit in money, property or services to which the director is not legally entitled.

Article IX of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant eliminates any personal liability of a director to the Registrant or its shareholders for monetary damages for conduct as a director, except for any liability for any acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct by a director or a knowing violation of law by a director, for conduct violating RCW 23B.08.310, for any transaction from which the director will personally receive a benefit in money, property or services to which the director is not legally entitled, or for any act or omission occurring prior to the date when Article IX of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant became effective. If the Washington Business Corporation Act is subsequently amended to change in a manner affecting the Registrant's power to eliminate or limit the liability of a director to the Registrant, then, upon the effective date of the amendment and without further act: (i) if the amendment permits further elimination or limitation of liability of a director in any other respect, the liability of a director shall be eliminated and limited with respect to acts or omissions occurring after the effective date of the amendment to the fullest extent permitted by the Washington Business Corporation Act as so amended. Article IX of the Registrant's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation also contains a provision that no amendment or repeal of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Registrant shall adversely affect any right or any elimination or limitation of liability of a director existing immediately prior to the amendment or repeal.

Article XI of the Registrant's Bylaws provide for, among other things, the indemnification by the Registrant of its directors and officers and the advancement of expenses. The Registrant's Bylaws also permit the purchase and maintenance of insurance, the creation of trust funds, the grant of security interests and the use of other means to secure the Registrant's indemnification obligations. The Registrant has also entered into certain indemnification agreements with its directors, the form of which is attached as Exhibit 10.1 to its Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the Commission on March 3, 2009. The indemnification agreements provide the Registrant's directors with indemnification to the full extent permitted by law.

Officers and directors of the Registrant are covered by insurance (with certain exceptions and limitations) that indemnifies them against certain losses and liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act. The effect of this insurance is to indemnify any officer or director of the Registrant against liability and expenses incurred by such officer or director upon a determination that such person acted in good faith.

Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Exhibits.

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5.1	Opinion of Lane Powell PC (filed herewith)
10.1	Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on November 19, 2007)
10.2	Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on November 19, 2007)
10.3	Amendment 2008-1 to the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference from the Registrant's Form 8-K filed on November 24, 2008)
10.4	Amendment 2008-2 to the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (filed herewith)
10.5	Amendment 2009-1 to the Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (filed herewith)
23.1	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP, Independent Auditors (filed herewith)
23.2	Consent of Lane Powell PC (included in Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (see signature page)

Item 9. Undertakings.

A. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
 - (i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act;
- (ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of this registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in this registration statement; and
- (iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in this registration statement or any material change to such information in this registration statement.

Provided, however, that paragraphs A.(1)(i) and A.(1)(ii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in periodic reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- B. The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefits plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in this registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- C. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Seattle, State of Washington, on the 9th day of September 2009.

NORDSTROM, INC.

/s/ MICHAEL G. KOPPEL

By: Michael G. Koppel Its: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

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SIGNATURE

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Each person whose individual signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Michael G. Koppel and Robert Sari, and either of them, as such person's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, to do any and all acts and things and execute any and all instruments which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents, or any of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents or any of them, agents of them, may deem necessary or advisable or which said attorneys and agents or any of them, may do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on the 25th day of August 2009.

/s/ Enrique Hernandez, Jr. Enrique Hernandez, Jr.	Chairman of the Board and Director
/s/ Blake W. Nordstrom Blake W. Nordstrom	President (Principal Executive Officer and Director)
/s/ Michael G. Koppel Michael G. Koppel	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)
/s/ James A. Howell James A. Howell	Vice President of Finance (Principal Accounting Officer)
/s/ Phyllis J. Campbell Phyllis J. Campbell	Director
/s/ Robert G. Miller Robert G. Miller	Director
/s/ Erik B. Nordstrom Erik B. Nordstrom	Director
/s/ Peter E. Nordstrom Peter E. Nordstrom	Director
/s/ Philip G. Satre Philip G. Satre	Director
/s/ Robert D. Walter Robert D. Walter	Director
/s/ Alison A. Winter Alison A. Winter	Director

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Nordstrom, Inc. 1617 Sixth Avenue, 6th Floor Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear Sir or Madam:

We have acted as counsel for Nordstrom, Inc. (the "Company") in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission of the registration statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") relating to the registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), of \$20,000,000 of deferred compensation obligations under the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "EDCP"), and \$3,000,000 of deferred compensation obligations under the Nordstrom Director Deferred Compensation Plan (the "DDCP"), which represent unsecured obligations of the Company to pay deferred compensation in the future in accordance with the EDCP and DDCP.

In rendering this opinion letter, we have relied as to matters of material fact upon the representations of members of the Company's management; however, we have no reason to believe that any such representations are incorrect or incomplete. We have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the conformity to original documents of all documents submitted to us as copies and the authenticity of the originals of such copies. In connection with this letter, we have concerned ourselves solely with the application of the laws of the State of Washington and the laws of the United States, and no opinion is expressed herein concerning the possible effects of the laws of any other jurisdiction.

For purposes of this opinion letter, we have examined copies of the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation, the Company's Bylaws, the EDCP, the DDCP, resolutions of the Company's Board of Directors and such Company records, certificates and other documents as we considered necessary or appropriate for the purpose of this opinion.

Based upon, subject to and limited by the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the deferred compensation obligations being registered pursuant to the Registration Statement are, when payment is due under the EDCP or DDCP, as the case may be, valid and binding obligations of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent conveyance or transfer, or other similar laws affecting the rights and remedies of creditors generally or general principles of equity.

The opinions contained in this letter are given as of the date hereof and has been prepared for use in connection with the Registration Statement. We render no opinion as to any matter brought to our attention subsequent to the date hereof. We consent to the use of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and further consent to the use of our name wherever appearing in the Registration Statement, including the prospectus constituting a part thereof, and any amendments or supplements thereto. In giving this consent, we do not thereby admit that we are an "expert" within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Very truly yours,

/s/ LANE POWELL PC

LANE POWELL PC

AMENDMENT 2008-2 TO THE NORDSTROM EXECUTIVE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

(2007 Restatement)

The Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (2007 Restatement) is hereby amended to reflect application of the compensation recovery policy (commonly known as the clawback policy) contained in the Nordstrom Corporate Governance Guidelines.

1. A new Section 5.5 <u>Application of Clawback Policy</u> is added, as follows:

"Application of Clawback Policy. This section applies if the Board elects to apply the compensation recovery policy contained in the Nordstrom Corporate Governance Guidelines (the "Clawback Policy") to a Participant. To the extent that any amount in a Participant's Account is attributable to contributions based on compensation that is subject to recovery under the Clawback Policy, such amount (adjusted for investment gains and losses) shall be removed from the Participant's Account and shall be permanently and irrevocably forfeited. The provisions of this section for removal of amounts from a Participant's Account shall also apply to the Beneficiary of a Participant after the Participant's death."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Amendment 2008-2 to the Nordstrom Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (2007 Restatement) is executed this 19th day of November, 2008.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ DELENA SUNDAY

Delena Sunday

Title: Executive Vice President

Human Resources and Diversity Affairs

AMENDMENT 2009-1

NORDSTROM DIRECTORS DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

(2007 Restatement)

The Nordstrom Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (2007 Restatement) (the "Plan") is hereby amended to clarify allocation of authority under the Plan.

- 1. Section 4.1 <u>Participation</u> is replaced with the following to clarify responsibility within the Company for documenting the Director's Participation Agreement:
 - "4.1 <u>Participation</u>. The Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee may designate members of the Board who, in the judgment of the Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, are expected to perform future services of special importance on behalf of the Board or of the Company and should be entitled to an award of Appreciation Units under this Plan. Each Board member so designated must execute the Participation Agreement provided by Leadership Benefits as a condition to receiving an award of Appreciation Units."
- 2. Section 9.2 <u>Powers and Authority of the Company</u> is replaced with the following:
 - "9.2 <u>Powers and Authority of the Company</u>. The Company, acting through its Board of Directors or through the body designated below, has the following absolute powers and authority under the Plan:
 - (a) Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee.
 - (1) To amend or terminate the Plan, at any time and for any reason;
 - (2) To determine the amount, timing, vesting, and other terms and conditions applicable to Plan contributions and benefits;
 - (3) To take any actions as it deems advisable to carry out the purposes of the Plan; and
 - (4) To delegate its authority to any officer, employee, committee or agent of the Company, as it deems advisable for the effective administration of the Plan.
 - (b) Compensation Committee.
 - (1) To set aside funds to assist the Company to meet its obligations under this Plan, provided that the funds are set aside in a manner that does not result in immediate taxation to Participants;

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- (2) To establish investment policy guidelines applicable to funds (if any) set aside under (1); and
- (3) To establish one or more grantor trusts (as defined in Code Section 671 et seq.) to facilitate the payment of benefits under the Plan."
- 3. **Article XI Amendment and Termination** is replaced with the following:

"The Plan may be amended or terminated at any time for any reason. Such amendment or termination may modify or eliminate any benefit hereunder, provided that no such amendment or termination shall in any way reduce the vested portion of the affected Participants' or Beneficiaries' Accounts. To be effective, an amendment must be in writing and must be signed by a person who has amendment authority under the terms of the Plan. Oral amendments or modifications to the Plan, and any written amendments that are not signed by an authorized person, are not valid or binding on the Company or any other person. Upon termination of the Plan, the Board of Directors may elect to accelerate distribution of Participant Accounts, but only if the accelerated distribution would not result in additional tax to the Participant under Code Section 409A."

Approved pursuant to proper authority this 25th day of February 2009.

NORDSTROM, INC.

By: /s/ DELENA SUNDAY

Delena Sunday

Title: Executive Vice President

Human Resources and Diversity Affairs

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CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our reports relating to the consolidated financial statements of Nordstrom, Inc. and the effectiveness of Nordstrom, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting dated March 20, 2009, appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Nordstrom, Inc. for the year ended January 31, 2009.

/S/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP

Seattle, Washington September 9, 2009