PUTNAM PREMIER INCOME TRUST Form 3 February 12, 2007 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OME

### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Title of (Instr. 4)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> POLK JAMES ANDREW			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PUTNAM PREMIER INCOME TRUST [PPT]				
	rst)	(Middle)	02/01/2007	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
PUTNAM INVESTMENTS, ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE (Street) BOSTON, MA 02109				(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owne X Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Managing Director of Putnam		Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person	
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(City) (St	ate)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	-	
Reminder: Report on owned directly or ind	-	e line for ea	ch class of securities benefic	ially S	EC 1473 (7-02	)		
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Table	II - Deriv	vative Secur	ities Beneficially Owned (e	.g., puts, calls,	warrants, opt	ions, co	onvertible securities)	

f Derivative Security	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 of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

Shares	or Indirect
	(I)
	(Instr. 5)

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Addre	ess	Relationships					
r o		10% Owner	Officer	Other			
POLK JAMES ANDREW PUTNAM INVESTMENTS ONE POST OFFICE SQUAI BOSTON, MA 02109	RE Â	Â	Managing Director of Putnam	Â			
Signatures							
James A. Polk 02	2/12/2007						
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date						

# **Explanation of Responses:**

### No securities are beneficially owned

- \* 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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