NETSCOUT SYSTEMS INC Form SC 13G/A December 11, 2008

UNITED STATES WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (AMENDMENT NO. <u>9</u>)*

Netscout Systems, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

<u>Common Stock</u>
(Title of Class of Securities)

64115t104

(Cusip Number)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 64115t104 Page 2 of 6 Pages 1. NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS S.S. OR I.R.S. Brown Capital Management, Inc IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* (a)[] (b)[] 3. SEC USE ONLY 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Maryland 5. REPORTING NUMBER OF SOLE VOTING POWER 994,168 **SHARES** 6 SHARED VOTING POWER None BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 2,009,142 **EACH** 8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER PERSON WITH None 9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH 2,009,142 REPORTING PERSON 10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES 11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 5.11% 12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON* IA CO CUSIP No. 64115t104 Page 3 of 6 Pages Name of Issuer: Item 1 (a) Netscout Systems, Inc. (b) Address of Issuer's Principal 4 Technology Park Drive **Executive Offices** Westford, MA 01886

Brown Capital Management, Inc

1201 N. Calvert Street

Maryland

64115t104

Common Stock

Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Item 2 (a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

Name of Person Filing:

Citizenship:

CUSIP Number:

Address of Principal Business

Office or, if none, Residence:

Title of Class of Securities:

Item 3: Capacity in Which Person is Filing: [x] Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of

1940

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Item 4:	Ownership As of November 30, 2008:		
(a)	Amount Beneficially Owned:		2,009,142
(b)	Percent of class:		5.11%
(c)	Number of shares to which such person has:		
(i)	Sole power	to vote or to direct the vote:	994,168
(ii)	Shared pow	ver to vote or to direct the vote:	None
(iii)	Sole power	to dispose or to direct the	<u>2,009,142</u>
(iv)	disposition	of:	None
	Shared pow	ver to dispose or to direct the	
	disposition	of:	

Item 5: Ownership of Five Percent or Less of Class: Not applicable

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Item 6: Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person **YES**

All of the shares of Common Stock set forth in Item 4 are owned by various investment advisory clients of Brown Capital Management, Inc., which is deemed to be a beneficial owner of those shares pursuant to Rue 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, due to it discretionary power to make investment decisions over such shares for its clients and its ability to vote such shares. In all cases, persons other than Brown Capital Management, Inc. has the right to receive, or the power to direct the receipt of, dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of the shares. No individual client holds more than five percent of the class.

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Item 7:	Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person Not applicable		
Item 8:			
Item 9:	Identification and Classification of the Subsid Which Acquired the Security Being Reported By the Parent Holding Company:	-	Not applicable
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Item 10:	Certification:		
referred to ab for the purpo issuer of such	below I certify that, to the best of my knowledg ove were acquired in the ordinary course of buses se of and do not have the effect of changing or in a securities and were not acquired in connection aving such purposes or effect	siness and were not acquired nfluencing the control of the	
SIGNATUI	RE		
	hable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge as the information set forth in this statement is true B		
	В	y: /s/ Eddie C. Brown	
	E	ddie C. Brown	
		resident	
Date:	N	ovember 30, 2008	