

United States
Security and Exchange Commission
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Act of 1934
(Amendment No. _____)*

Cato Corp

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

149205106

(CUSIP Number)

 1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
 S.S OR IRS IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

DePrince, Race & Zollo, Inc.
 59-3299598

 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*
 (a) [x]
 (b) []

 3. SEC USE ONLY

 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION
 Incorporated in the State of Florida

 5. SOLE VOTING POWER
 NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH
 1,348,300

 6. SHARED VOTING POWER
 none

 7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
 1,348,300

 8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
 none

 9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON
 \$ 18,539,125

 10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*
 No

 11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9
 5.41%

 12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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Item 1.

(a) Cato Corp.

(b) 8100 Denmark Road
Charlotte, NC 28273-5975

Item 2.

(a) DePrince, Race & Zollo, Inc.

(b) 201 S. Orange Ave, Suite 850
Orlando, FL 32801

(c) USA

(d) common stock

(e) 149205106

Item 3.

(e) X

Item 4. Ownership

(a) \$18,539,125

(b) 5.41%

(c) (i) 1,348,300 shares
(iii) 1,348,300 shares

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

N/A

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

N/A

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company

N/A

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

N/A

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

N/A

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date 02/09/2001

Signature
John D. Race - Partner

Name/Title