

PACWEST BANCORP

Form 4

September 09, 2008

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
THOMPSON MICHAEL L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

401 WEST "A" STREET

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PACWEST BANCORP [PACW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/08/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify
below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/08/2008		S	1,451 D	\$ 29.99 28,549	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008		S	1,400 D	\$ 29.996 27,149	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008		S	100 D	\$ 30 27,049	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008		S	200 D	\$ 30.01 26,849	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008		S	100 D	\$ 30.02 26,749	D	

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Common Stock	09/08/2008	S	1,249	D	\$ 30.03	25,500	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008	S	400	D	\$ 30.05	25,100	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2008	S	100	D	\$ 30.09	25,000	D	
Common Stock						5,061.694 ⁽¹⁾	I	By 401(k) Plan

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
THOMPSON MICHAEL L 401 WEST "A" STREET SAN DIEGO, CA 92101	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Michael L. Thompson 09/09/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(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).

(1) Includes 71,524 shares of PACW stock acquired by the reporting person between July 29, 2008 and September 8, 2008 under the PACW 401(k) plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of September 8, 2008.

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