

TRICO BANCSHARES /
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH RICHARD P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

63 CONSTITUTION DRIVE

(Street)

CHICO, CA 95973

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/20/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/22/2008		J(1)	0	A	\$ 0	541,110	D	
Common Stock	05/22/2008		J(1)	0	A	\$ 0	1,152,477	I	By TriCo ESOP of which I am a Trustee
Common Stock	05/22/2008		J(1)	0	A	\$ 0	178,377.4	I	By Wife

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,000	05/20/2009	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,400	05/20/2009	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,400
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,400	05/20/2010	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,400
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,400	05/20/2011	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,400
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,400	05/20/2012	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,400
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.4	05/20/2008		X	2,400	05/20/2013	05/20/2018	Common Stock	2,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH RICHARD P 63 CONSTITUTION DRIVE CHICO, CA 95973	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

Suzanne Youngs "Power of
Attorney"

05/22/2008

__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) No transactions occurred among these shares, intended only to reflect number of shares beneficially owned.

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