TRICO BANCSHARES /

Form 4

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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(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reportin CARNEY CRAIG B | g Person <u>*</u> | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|-------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) | (Middle) | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | Diagram 100/ O | | | |
| 63 CONSTITUTION DR | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2012 | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & Chief Credit Officer | | | |
| (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| CHICO, CA 95973 | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |
| (City) (State) | (Zip) | | Person quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |

| (City) | (State) | 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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) | | | (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/10/2012 | | S | 2,350 | A | \$ 16.3552 | 35,959.8094 | D (1) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | J(2) | 0 | A | \$ 0 | 118.3732 | I | By Daughter | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | J(2) | 0 | A | \$ 0 | 102.507 | I | By Son | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | <u>J(2)</u> | 0 | A | \$ 0 | 112.7354 | I | By Son | |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | cisable and | 7. Title a | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amount | of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underlyi | ing | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securitie | es | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. 3 | and 4) | | Owne |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Or T:41- N | | | |
| | | | | | Exercisable | Date | Title Number | | | | |
| | | | | C 1 W | (A) (D) | | | of | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | Si | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CARNEY CRAIG B 63 CONSTITUTION DR CHICO, CA 95973

EVP & Chief Credit Officer

Signatures

/S/ Craig Carney By Suzanne Youngs Attorney-in-Fact

02/13/2012

**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) ESOP shares of 13,715.82 are included in the total.
- (2) No transactions occurred among these shares, intended only to reflect number of shares beneficially owned.

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