

TRICO BANCSHARES /

Form 4

May 24, 2012

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CARNEY CRAIG B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

63 CONSTITUTION DR

(Street)

CHICO, CA 95973

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

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

05/22/2012

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)

EVP & Chief Credit Officer

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	05/24/2012		J ⁽¹⁾	0 A \$ 0	37,006.7694	D ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock	05/24/2012		J ⁽¹⁾	0 A \$ 0	118.9797	I	By Daughter
Common Stock	05/24/2012		J ⁽¹⁾	0 A \$ 0	103.0321	I	By Son
Common Stock	05/24/2012		J ⁽¹⁾	0 A \$ 0	113.3129	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 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. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Option Common Stock	\$ 15.34	05/22/2012		A		20,000	(3) 05/22/2022	Common Stock 20,000

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

05/24/2012

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

(2) Common Stock owned includes shares held in the issuer's ESOP of 14,762.78 shares.

(3) The option vests in five equal installments, beginning on May 22, 2013.

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