TRICO BANCSHARES /

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VERESCHAGIN ALEX A JR | | R Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|--------------|--|--|---|--|
| (Last) | (First) (N | (Month/D | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2008 | | | | X Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) Secretary of the Board | | | |
| (City) | (Street) | Filed(Mon | endment, Da |) | | :4: A | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | ount of ties Form: Direct Indirect icially (D) or Beneficial d Indirect (I) Ownership ving (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) ted action(s) | | |
| Common Stock | 10/27/2008 | | <u>J(1)</u> | 0 | A | \$0 | 84,449 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2008 | 10/28/2008 | J(2) | 489 | A | \$ 17.08 | 1,201,174 | I | By TriCo ESOP of which I am a Trustee | |

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

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| 1. Title of Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transactio | 5. orNumber | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D | | 7. Title Amou | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (World, Day, Tear) | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/ | | Under Securi | lying | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Kelationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| VERESCHAGIN ALEX A JR | X | | | Secretary of the Board | | | |

Signatures

Suzanne Youngs "Power of Attorney" 10/27/2008

**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.
- (2) ESOP purchased shares. Purchase pursuant to 10b5-1 plan.

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