

BLAKE CHRISTOPHER D
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FORM 4

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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 *
BLAKE CHRISTOPHER D

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
401 WEST "A" STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Subsid Pres, E. Region, PWB

SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/15/2008		A	71	A	\$ 23.5606	5,237 ⁽¹⁾	I	By the Trustees of the PACW Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock							55	I	By IRA
Common Stock							222	I	By Spouse's IRA
							29,552	D	

