

TRICO BANCSHARES /  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**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)  
**02/19/2010**

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)  
**EVP & Chief Credit Officer**

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	(A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	02/19/2010		M		9,235	A	\$ 12.705	20,973.9894 D
Common Stock	02/19/2010		M		11,190	A	\$ 8.2	32,163.9894 D
Common Stock	02/19/2010		F		12,453	D	\$ 18.68	19,710.9894 D
Common Stock	02/23/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>		0	A	\$ 0	112.8729 I
Common Stock	02/23/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>		0	A	\$ 0	107.4974 I

By Daughter

By Son

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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
Options Common Stock	\$ 8.2	02/19/2010		M	11,190	06/12/2001 06/12/2011	Common	11,190
Options Common Stock	\$ 12.705	02/19/2010		M	9,235	07/08/2006 07/08/2013	Common	9,235

## 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

Suzanne Youngs "Power of Attorney" 02/23/2010

\_\_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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