SHERMAN MERRILL W

Form 4 April 23, 2008

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BANCORP RHODE ISLAND INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SHERMAN MERRILL W

(First)

24 CHANNING AVENUE (Street)

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

Symbol

[BARI]

04/22/2008

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below) Chief Executive 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

PROVIDENCE, RI 02906 (City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

5. Amount of Securities Owned Following

Beneficially Reported

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price \$0

Common Stock

04/22/2008

A 1,575

(1)

(A)

or

131,210

 $D^{(2)}$

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)

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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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Sha	
Stock Option (Right to purchase)	\$ 32.89	04/22/2008		A	17,600	04/22/2009(3)	04/22/2015	Common Stock	17,60	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
noporous o water runte / runte oo	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SHERMAN MERRILL W 24 CHANNING AVENUE PROVIDENCE, RI 02906	X		Chief Executive Officer			

Signatures

Margaret D. Farrell (Attorney-in-fact for Merrill W. Sherman)

04/23/2008

**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) Shares were awarded to the reporting person as part of a restricted stock award under the registrant's 2002 Equity Incentive Plan and vest in three annual installments.
- (2) The reporting person beneficially owns 131,210 shares of the issuer's common stock of which 20,500 shares are held in a custodial
- (3) This option is exercisable in five annual installments commencing April 22, 2009.

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