

SMITH RICHARD P  
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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 \*  
SMITH RICHARD P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
63 CONSTITUTION DRIVE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/25/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

CHICO, CA 95973  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/27/2010		J(1)		0	A	\$ 0	81,171	D	
Common Stock	05/27/2010		J(1)		0	A	\$ 0	1,178,382	I	By TriCo ESOP of which I am a Trustee
Common Stock	05/27/2010		J(1)		0	A	\$ 0	189.272	I	By Spouse

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)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	4,000		05/25/2011	05/25/2020	Common Stock	4,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	20,000		05/25/2011	05/25/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	20,000		05/25/2012	05/25/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	20,000		05/25/2013	05/25/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	20,000		05/25/2014	05/25/2020	Common Stock	20,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 17.54	05/25/2010		X	20,000		05/25/2015	05/25/2020	Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH RICHARD P 63 CONSTITUTION DRIVE CHICO, CA 95973	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

Suzanne Youngs "Power of  
Attorney"

05/27/2010

\_\_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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