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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type R	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> SHERMAN JOHN JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tra	insaction			(Chec	ek all applicable)		
SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW, INC., 901 EAST BYRD STREET, SUITE 500			(Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2012					X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
	(Street) 4. If Amendm Filed(Month/D				e Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
RICHMONE), VA 23219							Form filed by M Person	More than One R	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		on Date, if	3.4. SecuritiesTransactionAcquired (A) orCodeDisposed of (D)(Instr. 8)(Instr. 3, 4 and 5))	Securities Beneficially Owned	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/25/2012			G	310	D	\$0	1,757	D		
Common Stock								10,000	I	IRA Account	

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)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	Date	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
SHERMAN JOHN JR SCOTT & STRINGFELLOW, INC. 901 EAST BYRD STREET, SUITE 500 RICHMOND, VA 23219	Х							
Signatures								
/s/ Karen G. Narwold, Attorney-in-Fact	01/26/2012							
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date	e						
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* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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