

PACWEST BANCORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WAGNER MATTHEW P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

401 WEST "A" STREET

(Street)

SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/05/2008

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)  
CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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**

| 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                    | 11/05/2008                           |  | A                              |   | 187,500   | A  | Ⓛ  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 31,749 <sup>(2)</sup>   | I  | By the Trustees of the PACW Deferred Compensation Plan |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 2,300 <sup>(3)</sup>  | I  | By Spouse  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 36,963  | I  | By IRA   |

Common  
Stock

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WAGNER MATTHEW P<br>401 WEST "A" STREET<br>SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 | X             |           | CEO     |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Matthew P. Wagner  
11/07/2008

\*\*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) The shares acquired represent a grant of restricted stock to the reporting person effective November 5, 2008. The grant will vest in thirds annually beginning on November 5, 2009 and ending on November 5, 2011.
  - (2) Represents the right to receive value equivalent to 31,749 shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock under PacWest Bancorp's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan settleable in shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock.

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- (3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his spouse, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of his spouse's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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