RIOS RAYMOND Form 4

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FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A RIOS RAY	Address of Reporting P MOND	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First) (M	iddle) 3. Date of (Month/Da	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2011			(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP Chief Information Officer				
(City)	(Street)	Filed(Mont	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Table	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi	ties l (A) c l of (D	or))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	of, or Beneficial 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/22/2011		J <u>(1)</u>	0	A	\$0	11,422.22 (2)	D		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option Common Stock	\$ 14.54	12/20/2011		X	2,000	12/20/2012	12/20/2021	Common Stock	2,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 14.54	12/20/2011		X	2,000	12/20/2013	12/20/2021	Common Stock	2,000
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Option Common Stock	\$ 14.54	12/20/2011		X	2,000	12/20/2015	12/20/2021	Common Stock	2,000
Option Common Stock	\$ 14.54	12/20/2011		X	2,000	12/20/2016	12/20/2021	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

RIOS RAYMOND

SVP Chief Information Officer

Signatures

/S/ Raymond Rios By Suzanne Youngs Attorney-in-Fact

**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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(2) ESOP shares of 3,944.22 are included in the total.

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