#### OBER DOUGLAS G

Form 4

January 17, 2012

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **OBER DOUGLAS G** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ADAMS EXPRESS CO [ADX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director

10% Owner

7 ST PAUL STREET, STE 1140

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011

X\_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

Chairman & CEO

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

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

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Person

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#### BALTIMORE, MD 21202

(City)

(enj)	(State)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or D	ispose	d of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/12/2012		D	4,187	D	\$ 9.97	39,177	D	
Common Stock	01/12/2012		F	1,917	D	\$ 9.97	37,260	D	
Common Stock	01/12/2012		A	9,291	A	\$ 0 (1)	46,551	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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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OBER DOUGLAS G 7 ST PAUL STREET STE 1140 BALTIMORE, MD 21202	X		Chairman & CEO				

## **Signatures**

Douglas G. Ober

\*\*Signature of Person

O1/17/2012

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) N/A. Restricted Stock Grant. Shares will vest in 2015.

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