

ZIONS BANCORPORATION /UT/
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
BLACKFORD DAVID E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ZIONS BANCORPORATION /UT/ [ZION]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE SOUTH MAIN, SUITE 1134

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/10/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP

SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111

(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code V Amount (D) Price | | |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Phantom Stock | (1) | 08/10/2012 | A | 964,167 (2) | | | | | 03/31/2013(3) | (3) | Common Stock | 964,167 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BLACKFORD DAVID E ONE SOUTH MAIN, SUITE 1134 SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84111 | | | Executive VP | |

Signatures

/s/ Thomas E. Laursen as attorney
in fact

08/14/2012

**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) Each unit is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock.

These shares are issuable in respect of restricted stock units that represent a portion of the reporting person's salary, net of withholdings and deduction, and that were issued under the Zions Bancorporation 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. For more information, please

(2) see the Current Report 8-K filed by Zions Bancorporation on January 26, 2011. Restricted stock units are 100% vested on the date of grant but are subject to transfer restrictions that lapse beginning on March 31, 2013, and that lapse in full on the reporting person's earlier death. The units will settle in cash.

(3) The Stock units will be paid in cash increments of 100% as of March 31, 2013.

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