

CARRION RICHARD L
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CARRION RICHARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
POPULAR INC [BPOP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman & CEO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 PO BOX 362708
 (Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2010

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)

SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | 12/31/2010 | 12/31/2010 | J ⁽¹⁾ | 15,415 A \$0 | 1,671,714 | D | Â |
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | Â | Â | Â | Â Â Â | 225 ⁽²⁾ | I | By son |

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| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 34,077 | I | By wife |
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 1,811,520 | I | Junior Investment (3) |

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. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I |
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| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--|--|--|---------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CARRION RICHARD L PO BOX 362708 SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708 | Â X | Â | Â Chairman & CEO | Â |

Signatures

Marie Reyes-Rodriguez,
Attorney-in-fact

02/14/2011

**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) Acquired under Popular Inc. Puerto Rico Savings and Investment Plan in exempt transactions pursuant to Rule 16(b)(3) during calendar year 2010.
- (2) Reflects a reduction of 56,662 shares owned by four of Mr. Carrion's adult children who do not share Mr. Carrion's household.
- (3) Ownership of 17.89% in Junior Investment Corporation, which owned 10,125,882 shares of Popular, Inc. at the end of December 31, 2010.

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