

WAKS STEPHEN H
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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 *
 WAKS STEPHEN H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES [AMRB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/22/2006

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

3406 SIERRA OAKS DRIVE

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SACRAMENTO, CA 95864

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	12/22/2006		J	A	2,599	\$ 0	54,613 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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	
Option/right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J		96		03/19/2006 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J		32		03/19/2007 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J		32		03/19/2008 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J		96		04/21/2006 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J		48		04/21/2007 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J		48		04/21/2008 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J		48		04/21/2009 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J		36		02/16/2006 02/16/2015	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J		36		02/16/2007 02/16/2015	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J		36		02/16/2008 02/16/2015	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J		36		02/16/2009 02/16/2015	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J		36		02/16/2010 02/16/2015	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J		32		03/17/2007 03/17/2016	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J		32		03/17/2008 03/17/2016	Common Stock 0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006		J		32		03/17/2009 03/17/2016	Common Stock 0

Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2010	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2011	03/17/2016	Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WAKS STEPHEN H 3406 SIERRA OAKS DRIVE SACRAMENTO, CA 95864	X			

Signatures

/s/ STEPHEN H.
WAKS 12/22/2006

__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).

Remarks:

J = Company declared 5% Stock Dividend

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