Fitzmaurice Brian Form 4 February 18, 2011

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Fitzmaurice Brian

(First)

C/O CITY NATIONAL BANK, 555

(Street)

(State)

02/16/2011

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/16/2011

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

S. FLOWER ST., 11TH FL.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

EVP & Chief Credit Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90071

(City)

Common

Stock

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Code V Amount (D)

A

20,000 A \$0 57,622 (2) (1)

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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	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
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.89	02/16/2011		A	17,000	<u>(3)</u>	02/15/2021	Common Stock	17,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Fitzmaurice Brian C/O CITY NATIONAL BANK 555 S. FLOWER ST., 11TH FL. LOS ANGELES, CA 90071			EVP & Chief Credit Officer				

Signatures

Brian

Fitzmaurice 02/17/2011

**Signature of Person

Date

Reporting Person

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) These shares of Common Stock constitute grants of restricted stock acquired from the registrant pursuant to the registrant's 2008 Omnibus Plan, as amended.
- (2) Includes 2869 shares of City National Corporation common stock held in the Reporting Person's City National Corporation Profit Sharing Plan as of January 31, 2011.
- (3) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2012.

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