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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Adda Olivier Paul	ress of Reporti	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CULLEN FROST BANKERS INC [CFR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 WEST HOUSTON STREET		, ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2010	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Group Executive Vice President		
SAN ANTON	(Street)	15	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	Person uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Dat any (Month/Day/Y		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(msu. 4)	(msu. 4)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/26/2010		A	3,050	A	\$ 0 (1)	17,343	D	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value							9,435	I	Through 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number one f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 52.46	10/26/2010		A	7,940	(2)	10/26/2020	Common Stock	7,940

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Olivier Paul

100 WEST HOUSTON STREET SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205 Group Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Paul Olivier 10/28/2010

**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) Restricted stock award with four year restriction period.
- (2) Vest 25% per year for four years from grant date.

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