PACWEST BANCORP

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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WAGNER MATTHEW P Issuer Symbol PACWEST BANCORP [PACW] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 401 WEST "A" STREET 11/05/2008 below) below) **CEO** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN DIEGO, CA 92101 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned Direct (D) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 8) Following or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 11/05/2008 Α 187,500 Α (1) 382,555 D Stock By the Trustees of the Common **PACW**

31,749 (2)

 $2,300^{(3)}$

36,963

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Deferred Compensation

By Spouse

By IRA

Plan

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WAGNER MATTHEW P 401 WEST "A" STREET	X		CEO				
SAN DIEGO, CA 92101							

Signatures

/s/ Matthew P.
Wagner

**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) The shares acquired represent a grant of restricted stock to the reporting person effective November 5, 2008. The grant will vest in thirds annually beginning on November 5, 2009 and ending on November 5, 2011.
- (2) Represents the right to receive value equivalent to 31,749 shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock under PacWest Bancorp's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan settleable in shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock.

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(3) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his spouse, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of his spouse's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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