

CITY NATIONAL CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GOLDSMITH BRAM**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

400 N. ROXBURY DRIVE, 8TH FLOOR

(Street)

BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CITY NATIONAL CORP [CYN]

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

08/11/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman of the Board

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/11/2009		S(1)	180,000 (2)	D \$ 41.705	2,132,504	I	by the Goldsmith Family Trust
Common Stock	08/11/2009		S(1)	180,000 (2)	D \$ 41.705	1,952,504	I	by the Goldsmith Family Trust
Common Stock	08/11/2009		S(1)	130,000 (2)	D \$ 41.705	1,822,504	I	by the Goldsmith Family Trust

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Common Stock	08/11/2009	S <sup>(1)</sup>	130,000 (2)	D	\$ 41.705	1,692,504	I	by the Goldsmith Family Trust
Common Stock	08/11/2009	S <sup>(1)</sup>	280,000 (2)	D	\$ 41.705	1,412,504	I	by the Goldsmith Family Trust
Common Stock						567,989	I	by the Elaine Goldsmith Revocable Trust
Common Stock						13,731	I	as Trustee of Oak Trust A
Common Stock						52,001	I	City National Corporation Profit Sharing Plan (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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOLDSMITH BRAM 400 N. ROXBURY DRIVE, 8TH FLOOR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210	X		Chairman of the Board	

## Signatures

Bram Goldsmith                      08/13/2009

\_\_Signature of                      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) Transfer to trust as part of family estate planning. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership in the securities being reported except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in them.
- (2) Half of the shares transferred were the separate property of the reporting person and half of the shares transferred were the separate property of his spouse.
- (3) Shares held as of July 31, 2009 in the City National Corporation Profit Sharing Plan.

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