Berman Walter Stanley
Form 4
December 19, 2012

# FORM 4

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

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Berman Walter Stanley

(Last) (First) (Middle)

GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE, 1098 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CENTER

(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC [AMP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/17/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive VP and CFO

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

**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) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2012 | | M | | 32,000 | A | $ 35.035 | 96,488 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/17/2012 | | S | | 28,260 | D | $ 62.2469 (1) | 68,228 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 289.8 | I | By 401(k) Plan (2) |

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) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | $ 35.035 | 12/17/2012 | | M | | | 32,000 | 10/03/2009 | 10/02/2015 | Common Stock | 32,000 |

# Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Berman Walter Stanley<br>GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE<br>1098 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CENTER<br>MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474 | | | Executive VP and CFO | |

# Signatures

| /s/ Thomas R. Moore for Walter Stanley Berman | 12/19/2012 |
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| **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)** Reflects the weighted average price of 28,260 shares of common stock of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on December 17, 2012 with sale prices ranging from $62.18 to $62.35 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

**(2)** Estimate of the number of shares held in the reporting person's account in the Ameriprise Financial Stock Fund under the Ameriprise Financial 401(k) plan as of December 14, 2012. This plan uses unit accounting and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the price of Ameriprise stock.

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