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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of	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)		
Common Stock	12/23/2010	P	9,936	A	\$ 1.9	9,936	D	
Common Stock	12/23/2010	P	64	A	\$ 1.9	10,000	D	
Common Stock	12/23/2010	P	1,000	A	\$ 2.04	11,000	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber 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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	•	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.2					<u>(1)</u>	10/25/2020	Common Stock	750,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner Officer		Other		
Maher Christopher C/O PATRIOT NATIONAL BANCORP, INC. 900 BEDFORD STREET STAMFORD, CT 06901	X		President and CEO			

Signatures

/s/ Christopher D.

Maher 12/27/2010

**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 option becomes excercisable as to 20% of the underlying shares on an annual basis for five years beginning on October 15, 2011.

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