

ZIONS BANCORPORATION /UT/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAURSEN THOMAS E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ZIONS BANCORPORATION /UT/
[ZION]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice President & / General Counsel

ONE SOUTH MAIN STREET,
15TH FLOOR

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

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

(Street)
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84133-1109

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code V | Amount | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/27/2012 | | A | 12,966 | A | 11 | 30,090 | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | I | 1,669.36 | By 401(k) Plan |

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 |
| Phantom Stock | (2) | 01/27/2012 | | A | 549.231 (3) | 09/30/2012 ⁽⁴⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock | 549.231 |
| Phantom Stock | (2) | 01/27/2012 | | A | 601.585 (3) | 09/30/2012 ⁽⁴⁾ | ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock | 601.585 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAURSEN THOMAS E ONE SOUTH MAIN STREET, 15TH FLOOR SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84133-1109 | | | Sr. Vice President & | General Counsel |

Signatures

Thomas E. Laursen 01/31/2012

**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) Restricted shares granted under the Zions Bancorporation 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. Restricted shares vest 25% per year for 4 years. Any vesting or lapse of restrictions is subject to TARP regulations.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of ZION common stock.
These shares are issuable in respect of restricted stock units that represent a portion of the reporting person's salary, net of withholdings and deduction, and that were issued under the Zions Bancorporation 2005 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. For more information, please see the Current Report 8-K filed by Zions Bancorporation on January 26, 2011. Restricted stock units are 100% vested on the date of grant but are subject to transfer restrictions that lapse beginning on September 30, 2012 and that lapse in full on the reporting person's earlier death. These units will settle in cash payments.
- (4) The Stock Units will be paid in cash in increments of 100% as of September 30, 2012

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