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FORM 4

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

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Messer Arnold W

> (First) (Middle)

10250 CONSTELLATION BLVD,, SUITE 1640

LOS ANGELES, CA 90067

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PACWEST BANCORP [PACW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner _Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

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

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(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)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) Code Disposed of (I (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Code V Amount (D)))	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)	
Common Stock	05/12/2011		A	1,374	A	\$0	26,374	D	
Common Stock							6,423 (1)	I	By the trustees of the PACW Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock							160	I	By Daughter
Common Stock							225	I	By Spouse

Common Stock 112 I By Son

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exer Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Messer Arnold W 10250 CONSTELLATION BLVD, SUITE 1640 LOS ANGELES, CA 90067



Signatures

/s/ Arnold W. 05/16/2011 Messer

**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) Represents the right to receive value equivalent to 6,423 shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock under PacWest Bancorp's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan settleable in shares of PacWest Bancorp's common stock.

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