STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

PACWEST BANCORP [PACW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

#### SANTORO VICTOR R

Form 4

September 16, 2008

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Director

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Symbol

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(Print or Type Responses)

SANTORO VICTOR R

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

(First)

(Middle)

401 WEST	Γ "A" STREET	09/15/2008					XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below)  Exec Vice President and CFO				
			nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									ially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (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)		
Common Stock	09/15/2008		A	161	A	\$ 29.6008	15,099 (1)	I	By the Trustees of the PACW Deferred Compensation Plan		
Common Stock							14,513	I	By IRA		
Common Stock							36,512	D			

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	4	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti		Number	Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative	
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	(	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)		Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	8) 1	Derivative	•		Securities		(Instr. 5)	
		Derivative				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)			
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					Code	V (	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SANTORO VICTOR R 401 WEST "A" STREET SAN DIEGO, CA 92101

Exec Vice President and CFO

## **Signatures**

Victor R. 09/16/2008 Santoro

\*\*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 15,099 shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock under PacWest Bancorp's Directors Deferred Compensation Plan settleable in shares of PacWest Bancorp common stock.

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