

WELSH JAMES K  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
WELSH JAMES K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WESTERN DIGITAL CORP  
[WDC]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/16/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & GM, Branded Products

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION, 20511 LAKE FOREST DRIVE

(Street)

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

LAKE FOREST, CA 92630-7741

(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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	08/16/2010		M		947 A \$ 19.4	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2010		M		4,501 A \$ 16.85	D	
Common Stock	08/16/2010		S		5,448 D \$ 24.7765	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. 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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.85	08/16/2010		M	4,501	02/04/2010 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/04/2016	Common Stock	4,501
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.4	08/16/2010		M	947	11/08/2007 <sup>(3)</sup> 11/08/2016	Common Stock	947

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

WELSH JAMES K  
C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION  
20511 LAKE FOREST DRIVE  
LAKE FOREST, CA 92630-7741

EVP & GM, Branded Products

## Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-Fact For: James K. Welsh

08/23/2010

\_\_\_\_ 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).

Represents the weighted average sale price per share. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from a low of

(1) \$24.7701 to a high of \$24.78. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of February 4, 2009, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month

(2) period through August 4, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest at 6.25% at the end of each three-month period until fully vested on February 4, 2013.

The option vested 25% one year from the grant date of November 8, 2006, and an additional 6.25% vested at the end of each three-month

(3) period through August 8, 2010. The remaining shares subject to the option will vest in full on November 8, 2010.

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