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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Ad SMITH RICH | | rting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TRICO BANCSHARES / [TCBK] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an applicable) | | | |
| 63 CONSTIT | TUTION DE | RIVE | (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2016 | X Director 10% Owner Self-condition of the condition of t | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| CHICO, CA 95973 | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |

| (City) | (State) (2 | Table | e I - Non-Do | erivative S | Securi | ties Ac | quired, Disposed | of, or Beneficia | lly 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 onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 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 | 05/19/2016 | | A | 5,296 (1) | A | \$0 | 174,772 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/19/2016 | | A | 5,296 (2) | A | \$0 | 180,068 | D | |
| Common Stock | 05/23/2016 | | J(3) | 0 | A | \$0 | 30,791.72 | I | By ESOP |
| Common Stock | 05/23/2016 | | J <u>(3)</u> | 0 | A | \$0 | 214.85 | I | By spouse |

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. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | isable and | 7. Titl | le and | 8. Price of | 9. |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber | Expiration Da | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | D |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | rlying | Security | Se |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | Ве |
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| | | | | G 1 17 | (A) (B) | | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | | | |

SMITH RICHARD P

63 CONSTITUTION DRIVE X President & CEO

CHICO, CA 95973

Signatures

/S/ Richard P Smith By Ryan Bryson Attorney-in-Fact 05/23/2016

**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) Represents the grant of Restricted Stock Units. The shares vest as follows: 25% on May 18, 2017, 25% on May 18, 2018, 25% on May 18, 2019, and 25% on May 18, 2019.
- Represents performance-based restricted stock units (PSUs) that will vest between 0% and 150% of the target number of shares (the number of shares listed in box 4) on May 18, 2019 based on the Issuers total stockholder return relative to the KBW Regional Banking Index. The PSUs were issued to the Reporting Person pursuant to the Issuers 2009 Equity Incentive Plan and Performance Award Agreement and are subject to forfeitures, accelerated vesting and other restrictions as set forth in the plan and the agreement.
- (3) No transaction occurred among these shares. Intended only to reflect number of shares beneficially owned.

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