

LAVELLE THOMAS R  
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# FORM 4

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## 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)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LAVELLE THOMAS R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700

(Street)

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RAMBUS INC [RMBS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/01/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Sr. VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 or Price		
Common Stock	02/01/2011		A		8,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 54,159 D
Common Stock	02/01/2011		F		1,101	D	\$ 20.93 53,058 D
Common Stock	02/01/2011		F		917	D	\$ 20.93 52,141 D
Common Stock	02/02/2011		F		945	D	\$ 21.03 51,196 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.93	02/01/2011		A	35,000	08/01/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/01/2021	Common Stock	35,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
LAVELLE THOMAS R 1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700 SUNNYVALE, CA 94089	Director 10% Owner Officer Sr. VP and General Counsel

## Signatures

/s/Michael Leshkiw, by power of attorney

02/03/2011

\*\*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) Shares are represented by restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Rambus Inc. common stock. The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 1, 2012.
- (2) One-tenth of the shares subject to the option vest on August 1, 2011 and the remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments until they are fully vested on February 1, 2016.

### Remarks:

Transactions in Table 1, Code F reflect securities withheld to cover the tax liability of restricted stock units that vested on the

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