

FITE CHARLES D
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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 *
 FITE CHARLES D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES [AMRB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 8707 HAMMERSMITH LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/28/2005

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

FAIR OAKS, CA 95628

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/28/2005		J	5,118 A \$ 0	107,495	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)

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option/right to buy	\$ 14.186	01/28/2005		J	29	03/19/2004 03/19/2013	Common Stock	0
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Option/right to buy	\$ 14.186	01/28/2005		J	29	03/19/2008 03/19/2013	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 20.4	01/28/2005		J	43	04/21/2005 04/21/2014	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 20.4	01/28/2005		J	43	04/21/2006 04/21/2014	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 20.4	01/28/2005		J	44	04/21/2007 04/21/2014	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 20.4	01/28/2005		J	44	04/21/2008 04/21/2014	Common Stock	0
Option/right to buy	\$ 20.4	01/28/2005		J	44	04/21/2009 04/21/2014	Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITE CHARLES D 8707 HAMMERSMITH LANE FAIR OAKS, CA 95628	X			

Signatures

CHARLES D.
FITE

01/28/2005

__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).

Remarks:

J = Company declared 5% Stock Dividend

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