

Nicholson Randy G  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Nicholson Randy G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMEN PROPERTIES INC [AMEN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1202 ESTATES DRIVE SUITE D  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/12/2008

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

ABILENE, TX 79602

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	12/12/2008		P	A	\$ 900	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2008		P	A	\$ 4,100	D	
					4.73		
					4.31		

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	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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options <u>(1)</u>	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(3)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	18,856

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nicholson Randy G 1202 ESTATES DRIVE SUITE D ABILENE, TX 79602		X		

## Signatures

Randy Nicholson  
12/18/2008

         \*\*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) Previously reported.
- (2) Option prices ranging from \$1.98 to \$9.00
- (3) Option exercisable dates ranging from 5/6/03 to 6/30/08
- (4) Option expiration dates ranging from 5/6/13 to 6/30/18

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