TRICO BANCSHARES /

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** VERESCHAGIN ALEX A JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TRICO BANCSHARES / [tcbk]				5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2005					(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Executio any	ned n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/26/2005			J <u>(1)</u>	0	A	\$ 0	129,424	D		
Common Stock	05/25/2005			J	8,400	A	\$ 20.322	1,195,320 (2)	I	By TriCo ESOP of which I am a Trustee	

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. Transactic 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option Common Stock	\$ 20.58	05/24/2005		A	4,000	05/24/2006	05/24/2015	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VERESCHAGIN ALEX A JR

X

Signatures

Suzanne Youngs "Power of Attorney"

05/26/2005

**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).
- (1) No transactions occurred among these shares, intended only to reflect number of shares beneficially owned.
- (2) Please Note: ESOP purchased stock.

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