

LAVELLE THOMAS R  
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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 \*  
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)  
11/14/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP & GC

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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		
RMBS Common Stock	11/14/2011		M		6,664 A \$ 8.55	50,852	D
RMBS Common Stock	11/14/2011		S		6,664 D \$ 17.6712 (1)	44,188	D
RMBS Common Stock						4,674	I See Footnote (2)

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.55	11/14/2011		M	6,664	<sup>(3)</sup> 02/02/2019	Common Stock	6,664

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAVELLE THOMAS R 1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700 SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			SVP & GC	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael Leshkiw, by power of attorney  
11/15/2011

\_\_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).

The sale price reported in Column 4 of Table 1 represents the average sale price of the shares sold ranging from \$17.67 to \$17.6835 per share. Upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

(2) Shares are held in an individual account of the Reporting Person's spouse.

(3)

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Ten percent of the shares subject to the option vested on August 2, 2009 and one fifty-fourth of the shares continue to vest monthly thereafter.

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