

BBCN BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
LEE BONITA

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3731 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1000
 (Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BBCN BANCORP INC [BBCN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/10/2012

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)
Chief Operating Officer & EVP

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 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		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	02/10/2012	A	5,625					02/10/2014	02/10/2014 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	5,625
Performance Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	02/10/2012	A	2,812					02/10/2015	02/10/2015 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	2,812
Performance Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	02/10/2012	A	2,813					02/10/2016	02/10/2016 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	2,813

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEE BONITA 3731 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1000 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010			Chief Operating Officer & EVP	

Signatures

/s/ Juliet Stone, Attorney
in fact

02/14/2012

**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) Each performance unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of BBCN common stock, upon the performance of certain criteria.
- (2) The vesting of the performance units will occur 50% on the second anniversary date of the grant, and 25% on each of the third and fourth anniversary dates of the grant.

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