#### EAST WEST BANCORP INC

Form 4

March 10, 2015

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* KRAUSE DOUGLAS PAUL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EAST WEST BANCORP INC

[EWBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

below)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2015

**Executive Vice President** 

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR

(First)

(Middle)

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

PASADENA, CA 91101

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/08/2015		M	4,365	A	\$0	97,227	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		F	1,518	D	\$ 40.49	95,709	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		M	3,571	A	\$ 0	99,280	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2015		F	1,273	D	\$ 40.49	98,007	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)

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 on f 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 Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar
	Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units	(1)	03/08/2015		M	4,365	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,3
	Time-Based Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	03/08/2015		M	3,571	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	3,5

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

KRAUSE DOUGLAS PAUL EAST WEST BANK 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FLOOR PASADENA, CA 91101

**Executive Vice President** 

# **Signatures**

Douglas Paul

Krause 03/10/2015

\*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

## **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).

Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units granted on March 8, 2012 fully vest in three years. Number of vested units depends on meeting pre-established performance criteria. As of March 8, 2015, 100% of the units granted on March 8, 2012 were settled. On the settlement date, for each vested Performance-Based Restricted Stock Unit, the reporting person received one share of Common Stock.

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Time-Based Restricted Stock Units granted on March 8, 2012 fully vest in three years. Vesting is also subject to meeting pre-established earning goals. As of March 8, 2015, 100% of the units granted on March 8, 2012 were settled. On the settlement date, for each vested Time-Based Restricted Stock Unit, the reporting person received one share of Common Stock.

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