

Berman Walter Stanley  
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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 \*  
 Berman Walter Stanley

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC  
 [AMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive VP and CFO

GENERAL COUNSEL'S  
 OFFICE, 1098 AMERIPRISE  
 FINANCIAL CENTER

(Street)

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/10/2012		M		150,000	A	\$ 21.34
							188,783
Common Stock	02/10/2012		S		125,769	D	\$ 53.354
							63,014
Common Stock							282.8
						I	By 401(k) Plan <sup>(2)</sup>

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)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
					(A)	(D)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.34	02/10/2012		M		150,000	(3) 02/03/2019	Common Stock
Phantom Stock	(4)	02/10/2012		A	2,397.1212		(5) (5)	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Berman Walter Stanley GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE 1098 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CENTER MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474			Executive VP and CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas R. Moore for Walter Stanley  
Berman 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) Reflects the weighted average price of 125,769 shares of common stock of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. sold by the reporting person in multiple transactions on February 10, 2012 with sale prices ranging from \$53.00 to \$53.71 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) Estimate of the number of shares held in the reporting person's account in the Ameriprise Financial Stock Fund under the Ameriprise Financial 401(k) plan as of February 6, 2012. This plan uses unit accounting and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the price of Ameriprise stock.

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- (3) One-third of the options vest after two years; one-third vest after three years; and the final third vest four years from February 2, 2009.
- (4) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. common stock.
- (5) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of Ameriprise common stock following termination of employment or during a specified future year in accordance with The Ameriprise Financial Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (6) Includes 480.0711 phantom shares credited to the reporting person's account as a result of the deemed reinvestment of dividends allocated since phantom shares were last reported.

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