DONNELLY KEVIN

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations may continue. See Instruction Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DONNELLY KEVIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

below)

RAMBUS INC [RMBS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

4440 EL CAMINO REAL

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

01/06/2006

Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(T)

(Instr. 4)

Person

LOS ALTOS, CA 94022

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(Month/Day/Year)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Following Reported

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

(A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (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)

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Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration

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Date

Employee

Stock \$ 22.94 01/06/2006 A 70,000 07/06/2006(1) 01/06/2016 Common Stock 70,00

Option 15

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DONNELLY KEVIN 4440 EL CAMINO REAL LOS ALTOS, CA 94022

Vice President

Signatures

By: Robert Eulau For: Kevin Donnelly

01/10/2006

**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) This option vests monthly beginning 7/6/06 and becomes fully vested on 1/6/2011.

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