

DERENZO MITCHELL A  
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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 \*  
 DERENZO MITCHELL A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES [AMRB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 3666 BUENA VISTA DRIVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/22/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President, CFO

SACRAMENTO, CA 95864  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Following 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) Price			
Common Stock	12/22/2006		J	1,368 A \$ 0	28,758	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)**

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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. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option / right to buy	\$ 5.3	12/22/2006		J		441		05/22/2002 05/22/2007	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.87	12/22/2006		J		106		03/19/2006 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.87	12/22/2006		J		35		03/19/2007 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.87	12/22/2006		J		36		03/19/2008 03/19/2013	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.51	12/22/2006		J		70		04/21/2006 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.51	12/22/2006		J		35		04/21/2007 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.51	12/22/2006		J		36		04/21/2008 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.51	12/22/2006		J		36		04/21/2009 04/21/2014	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 20.106	12/22/2006		J		35		09/21/2006 09/21/2015	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 20.106	12/22/2006		J		35		09/21/2007 09/21/2015	Common Stock 0
Option / right to buy	\$ 20.106	12/22/2006		J		35		09/21/2008 09/21/2015	Common Stock 0

buy									
Option / right to buy	\$ 20.106	12/22/2006	J	36	09/21/2009	09/21/2015	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 20.106	12/22/2006	J	36	09/21/2010	09/21/2015	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.476	12/22/2006	J	35	03/15/2007	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.476	12/22/2006	J	35	03/15/2008	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.476	12/22/2006	J	35	03/15/2009	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.476	12/22/2006	J	36	03/15/2010	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0	
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.476	12/22/2006	J	36	03/15/2011	03/15/2016	Common Stock	0	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DERENZO MITCHELL A 3666 BUENA VISTA DRIVE SACRAMENTO, CA 95864			Executive Vice President, CFO	

## Signatures

/s/ MITCHELL A.  
DERENZO

12/22/2006

\*\*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).

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