

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC  
 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 \*  
 RODMAN DONALD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC [COLB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/31/2006

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

1301 A STREET, STE. 800, MS-3100

(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  
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TACOMA 98402-4200

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |       |   |                     |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------|---|---------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |       |   |                     |
| Common Stock                    | 12/19/2007                           |  | A                              |   | 2,000<br>(1)  | A  | \$ 0                              | 9,053 | D |                     |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |                                   | 5,675 | I | IRA                 |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |                                   | 5,625 | I | IRA - Spouse        |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  |                                   | 4,267 | I | Rodman Living Trust |

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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) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)  | \$ 7.2   | 04/08/2005                           |  | M                              | 2,206   | 04/23/2000 04/23/2005                                    | Common Stock  | 2,206                      |
| NQSO                                       | \$ 18.56   |                                      |  |                                |   | 04/22/2001 04/22/2006                                    | Common Stock  | 2,100                      |
| NQSO                                       | \$ 9.9   |                                      |  |                                |   | 06/28/2003 06/28/2008                                    | Common Stock  | 1,800                      |
| NQSO                                       | \$ 11.92   |                                      |  |                                |   | 05/15/2004 05/15/2009                                    | Common Stock  | 1,800                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| RODMAN DONALD<br>1301 A STREET, STE. 800, MS-3100<br>TACOMA 98402-4200 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Cathleen Dent 12/20/2007

\*\*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) Restricted Stock Award

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