#### CITY NATIONAL CORP

Form 4

August 11, 2008

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GOLDSMITH RUSSELL D			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
		0.6.1.11.	CITY NATIONAL CORP [CYN]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
400 N. ROXBURY DRIVE		IVE	(Month/Day/Year) 08/08/2008	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
				Form filed by More than One Reporting		

Person

#### BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

(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)	ransaction Date 2A. Deemed		4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		of (D)	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)
Common Stock	08/08/2008		Code V M	Amount 25,000	(D)	Price \$ 33	213,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008		S	5,000	D	\$ 51	208,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 51.1	206,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008		S	1,000	D	\$ 51.15	205,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 51.2	203,200	D	

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Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 51.25	200,700	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	700	D	\$ 51.31	200,000	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	500	D	\$ 51.32	199,500	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	600	D	\$ 51.33	198,900	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	100	D	\$ 51.34	198,800	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	2,600	D	\$ 51.36	196,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	100	D	\$ 51.37	196,100	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	400	D	\$ 51.38	195,700	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 51.5	193,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 51.55	191,700	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 51.56	190,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 51.6	189,200	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	500	D	\$ 51.65	188,700	D	
Common Stock	08/08/2008	S	500	D	\$ 51.67	188,200	D	
Common Stock						2,640	I	By CNC Profit Sharing Plan (2)
Common Stock						2,860,000	I	By the Goldsmith Family Partnership
Common Stock						417,240	I	By the Russell Goldsmith Trust
Common Stock						304,930	I	By Maple Pine

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Common Stock		7	,500 I	By MKB Co. Ltd.	
Common Stock		3	0,000 I	As Trustee of the ELM 2006 Charitable Annuity Lead Trust	
Common Stock		4	,134 I	As Trustee of the Brian Goldsmith 1985 Trust	
Common Stock		2	,912 I	As Trustee of the Kathryn Goldsmith 1985 Trust	
Common Stock		1	,222 I	By California Quintent LLC	
Common Stock		8	I	As Trustee of the West LA Investment Trust No. 1-R	
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each	n class of securities benefic	ially owned directly or indi Persons who respond information contained required to respond u displays a currently v number.	d to the collecti d in this form a unless the form	re not (9-02)	
		red, Disposed of, or Benef options, convertible securi			
1. Title of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Young) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security	Date 3A. Deemed Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye	Underlying Se	curities
		Code V (A) (D)		Title	

Limited Partnership

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					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 33	08/08/2008	M	25,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/22/2008	Common Stock	25,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GOLDSMITH RUSSELL D 400 N. ROXBURY DRIVE BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210	X	X	President and CEO			

## **Signatures**

Russell D. Goldsmith, by Michael B. Cahill, Attorney-in-Fact

08/11/2008

\*\*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) The stock options vested in four equal annual installments beginning February 22, 1999.
- (2) Shares held in the reporting person's City National Corporation Profit Sharing Plan as of July 31, 2008.

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