CITY NATIONAL CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CAREY CHRISTOPHER J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CITY NATIONAL CORP [CYN]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

09/30/2008

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

400 NORTH ROXBURY DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

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

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

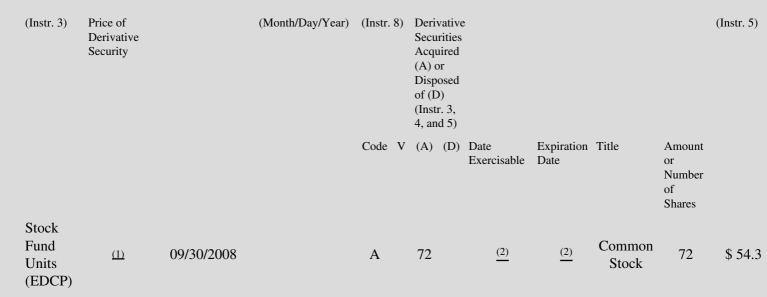
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1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivative Security or Exercise Code of(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security any

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CAREY CHRISTOPHER J 400 NORTH ROXBURY DRIVE BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210

EVP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Christopher J.

Reporting Person

Carey 10/01/2008

**Signature of 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) These Stock Fund Units were acquired under the Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (EDCP) and convert to stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) The Stock Fund Units are generally distributed upon termination, or following retirement on the date or dates specified by the reporting person.

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