Smith S. Dawn Form 4 January 27, 2011

FORM 4

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 * Smith S. Dawn

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(Middle)

VMWARE, INC. [VMW]

(Check all applicable)

3401 HILLVIEW AVENUE

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

01/26/2011

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _Other (specify

below) Senior VP and General Counsel

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

(Cit	y)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title o Security (Instr. 3)	(N	Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)	ion Date 2A. Deemed y/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Class A Commo Stock		1/26/2011		Code V M	Amount 1,875	(D)	Price \$ 45.05	0	D	
Class A Commo Stock		1/26/2011		S	925 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	D	\$ 85.16	0	D	
Class A Commo Stock		1/26/2011		S	950 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	D	\$ 85.7	44,663	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)

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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day.	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 45.05	01/26/2011		M	1,875	<u>(4)</u>	10/14/2015	Class A Common Stock	1,875

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith S. Dawn

3401 HILLVIEW AVENUE PALO ALTO, CA 94304 Senior VP and General Counsel

Signatures

Larry Wainblat, attorney-in-fact 01/27/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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) Price represents weighted average for sales reported. The range of prices for the sales reported is \$84.43 through \$85.43.
- (2) The reporting person will provide upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) Price represents weighted average for sales reported. The range of prices for the sales reported is \$85.48 through \$86.00.

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The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 90,000 shares of Class A Common stock, became exercisable as to one-quarter of the shares on October 14, 2010, and vests in 36 equal monthly installments as to the remaining shares until fully exercisable on October 14, 2013

Remarks:

Transactions reported were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.

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