Pickett Christopher M Form 4 February 03, 2012

## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pickett Christopher M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RAMBUS INC [RMBS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700			02/01/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SVP, Licensing			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	(Street)			, ,			
SUNNYVALE, CA 94089			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (4 and :	` ′	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	02/01/2012		Code V A	Amount 23,888 (1)	(D)	\$ 0	44,874	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2012		S(2)	18,706	D	\$ 7.3396	26,168	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.31	02/01/2012		A	20,000	08/01/2012 <u>(4)</u>	02/01/2022	Common Stock	20,0

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Pickett Christopher M 1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700 SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

SVP, Licensing

## **Signatures**

/s/ Michael Leshkiw, by power attorney

02/03/2012 Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

### **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) Represents performance restricted stock units that will vest on February 1, 2013. Each performance restricted stock unit represents a right to receive one share of Rambus Inc. common stock.
- The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 14, 2011.
- The sale price reported in Column 4 of Table 1 represents the weighted average sale price of the shares sold ranging from \$7.28 to \$7.41 (3) per share. Upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, the Reporting Person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) One-tenth of the shares subject to the option vest on August 1, 2012 and the remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments until they are fully vested on February 1, 2016.

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