#### **CULLEN FROST BANKERS INC**

Form 4

October 21, 2009

## 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).

value

(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

See Instruction

GREEN PHILLIP D			Symbol  CULLEN FROST BANKERS INC  [CFR]			Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Last)	(First) (M	iddle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tra	nsaction	Director		Owner
100 WEST HOUSTON STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 10/19/2009			X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Group EVP / CFO			
(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		
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned
	1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Dee	emed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
	Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution	on Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
	(Instr. 3)		any		Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
			(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
						(A)	Reported		
						or	Transaction(s)		
					~		(Instr. 3 and 4)		

(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially Owned Following	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	,	
	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/19/2009		F	1,322	D	\$ 50.7 (1)	63,905	D	
	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/20/2009		A	5,460	A	\$ 0 (2)	69,365	D	
	Common Stock, \$0.01 par							1,100	I	By Spouse

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Common Stock,	28,375	I	Through 401(k)
\$0.01 par			Plan
value			1 Ian

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.64	10/20/2009		A	14,210	<u>(3)</u>	10/20/2019	Common Stock	14,210

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runte, runtess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GREEN PHILLIP D 100 WEST HOUSTON STREET			Group EVP / CFO				
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Phillip D.
Green

10/21/2009

\*\*Signature of Date
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) Reflects the withholding of Common Stock to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.

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- (2) Restricted stock award with four year restriction period.
- (3) Vest 25% per year for four years from grant date.

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