ZIEGLER MICHAEL A

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

ZIEGLER MICHAEL A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AMERICAN RIVER

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

BANKSHARES [AMRB]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

9845 LOS LAGOS CIRCLE

NORTH

(Instr. 3)

Common

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/22/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

GRANITE BAY, CA 95746

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

12/22/2006

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D)

Code V Amount

J \$0 288 A 6,055

(A)

Stock

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)

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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. orNumber of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J	24	05/21/2006	05/21/2013	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J	8	05/21/2007	05/21/2013	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 12.871	12/22/2006		J	8	05/21/2008	05/21/2013	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J	96	04/21/2006	04/21/2014	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J	48	04/21/2007	04/21/2014	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J	48	04/21/2008	04/21/2014	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 18.507	12/22/2006		J	48	04/21/2009	04/21/2014	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2006	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2007	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2008	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006		J	36	02/16/2009	02/16/2015	Common Stock	0	\$

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buy								
Option / right to buy	\$ 19.961	12/22/2006	J	36	02/16/2010 02/16/2015	Common Stock	0	5
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2007 03/17/2016	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2008 03/17/2016	Common Stock	0	\$
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2009 03/17/2016	Common Stock	0	9
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2010 03/17/2016	Common Stock	0	5
Option / right to buy	\$ 26.479	12/22/2006	J	32	03/17/2011 03/17/2016	Common Stock	0	9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ZIEGLER MICHAEL A							
9845 LOS LAGOS CIRCLE NORTH	X						
GRANITE BAY, CA 95746							

Date

Signatures

/s/ MICHAEL A.

ZIEGLER 12/22/2006

**Signature of Reporting

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).

Remarks:

J = Company declared 5% Stock Dividend

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