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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Simson Thomas Issuer Symbol BRIDGE BANCORP INC [BDGE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify PO BOX 3005 01/24/2012 below) below) Chief Information Officer (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY 11932 Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 01/24/2012 444 (1) \$0 D A 23,904.7267

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	7 (A	A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 15.4667						01/15/2003	01/15/2013	Common	1,500	
Stock Options	\$ 24						01/21/2004	01/21/2014	Common	750	
Stock Options	\$ 30.6						01/21/2005	01/21/2015	Common	188	
Stock Options	\$ 25.25						11/27/2006	11/27/2016	Common	4,000	

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chief Information Officer

Simson Thomas PO BOX 3005

BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY 11932

Signatures

/s/ Thomas H. 01/26/2012 Simson

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- * 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 a restricted stock award. These shares vest over 5 years with 1/3 vesting in each of years 3, 4 and 5.

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