

CARPENTER HAROLD R

Form 4

December 15, 2011

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PINNACLE FINANCIAL
PARTNERS INC [PNFP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
150 THIRD AVE SOUTH, SUITE
900

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2011

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
EVP & CFO

(Street)
NASHVILLE, TN 37201

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
Salary Stock Unit (1)	12/15/2011		A	309 (1)	A \$ 0 6,410	D	
PNFP Common Stock					63,505	D	
PNFP Common Stock					21,000	I	IRA
PNFP					8,118	I	401(k)

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Common
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)

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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
CARPENTER HAROLD R 150 THIRD AVE SOUTH SUITE 900 NASHVILLE, TN 37201	EVP & CFO

Signatures

/s/ Harold R.
Carpenter 12/15/2011

__Signature of
Reporting Person Date

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) Restricted stock units that were awarded, effective as of 12/15/2011, by the Human Resources and Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Pinnacle Financial Partners, Inc. ("Company") pursuant to a Salary Stock Unit Award Agreement (the "Agreement"), the form of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K (the "Form 8-K") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 2, 2011. The restricted stock units are immediately vested and are payable solely in a like number of

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shares of the Company's common stock on, or as soon as administratively practical following, December 30, 2011, or if earlier the reporting person's death (the "Settlement Date"), but in no event later than two and one-half months following the Settlement Date. For additional information regarding the restricted stock units please see the Form 8-K and the copy of the Agreement filed therewith.

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