

RAMBUS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BLACK RONALD D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700  
(Street)

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**RAMBUS INC [RMBS]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/01/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/01/2017		F		9,103	D	\$ 12.8
Common Stock	02/01/2017		A		63,128 (1)	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	02/01/2017		A		233,400 (2)	A	\$ 0
Common Stock	02/02/2017		F		4,802	D	\$ 12.67

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.8	02/01/2017		A	197,753	08/01/2017 <sup>(3)</sup>	02/01/2027	Common Stock	197,753

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BLACK RONALD D 1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 700 SUNNYVALE, CA 94089	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

/s/Bill Krause, by power of attorney  
Date: 02/03/2017  
\*\*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) Shares are represented by restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of RMBS common stock. The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 1, 2018 or the first business trading day thereafter.
- (2) Shares are represented by performance restricted stock units. Each performance restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of RMBS common stock. The performance restricted stock units vest in full on February 1, 2019 based upon assessed achievement of the Company's targeted pro forma operating margin for Fiscal Year 2016 and continued service to the Company through the vest date.
- (3) One tenth of the shares subject to the option vest on August 1, 2017 and the remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments until they are fully vested on February 1, 2021.

**Remarks:**

Transactions reported in Table 1, Code F reflect securities withheld to cover the tax liability for restricted stock units that vest

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