#### GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC

Form 4

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## FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC [GAB]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_ Other (specify Officer (give title

**BANK OF AMERICA** CORPORATE CENTER, 100 N.

(First)

(Street)

TRYON STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

01/11/2010

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person \_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHARLOTTE, NC 28255

(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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	01/11/2010		Code V	Amount 1	or	Price \$ 5.19	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	I	By Subsidiary	
Common Stock	01/11/2010		S	1	D	\$ 5.16	0	I	By Subsidiary	
Common Stock	04/05/2010		P	1,000	A	\$ 5.18	1,000	I	By Subsidiary	
Common Stock	04/05/2010		S	1,000	D	\$ 5.17	0	I	By Subsidiary	
	04/29/2010		P	1,000	A		1,000	I		

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Common Stock					\$ 5.42			By Subsidiary
Common Stock	04/29/2010	S	1,000	D	\$ 5.34	0	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/03/2010	P	1,546	A	\$ 5.63	1.546	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/03/2010	P	3,254	A	\$ 5.64	4,800	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/06/2010	S	4,800	D	\$ 5.62	0	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stok	12/13/2010	P	400	A	\$ 5.59	400	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/13/2010	P	400	A	\$ 5.7	800	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/13/2010	S	400	D	\$ 5.6	400	I	By Subsidiary
Common Stock	12/13/2010	S	400	D	\$ 5.69	0	I	By Subsidiary

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	tiorNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	) Derivativo	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	;		(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security				Acquired					
					(A) or					
					Disposed					
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3,					
					4, and 5)					
									Amount	
						Date	Expiration	m: .1	or	
						Exercisable Date	Date	Title Nun	Number	
				G 1 1	7 (A) (B)				of	
				Code \	V(A) (D)				Shares	

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/ BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATE CENTER 100 N. TRYON STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28255		X				
MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INC. 4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NORTH TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10080		X				

# **Signatures**

Bank of America Corporation, By: /s/ Beth Dorfman, Authorized Signatory 03/17/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, By: /s/ Lawrence Emerson, Title:

Attorney-In-Fact

03/17/2011

\*\*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).

#### **Remarks:**

The transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, an indirect, when the same of the same o

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