

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC  
 Form 4  
 February 06, 2008

**FORM 4**

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

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
 Expires: January 31, 2005  
 Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 WEYERHAEUSER WILLIAM T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC [COLB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1301 A STREET, STE. 800  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/05/2008

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

TACOMA, WA 98402-4200  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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**

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	02/05/2008		A	4,000 A \$ 24.05	222,249	I	WBW Trust #1
Common Stock	02/05/2008		A	1,000 A \$ 24.05	223,249	I	WBW Trust #1
Common Stock					11,344	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control**

SEC 1474 (9-02)

number.

**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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.56	09/02/2004		M	2,101	04/22/2001 04/22/2006	Common Stock	2,101
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.9	09/02/2004		M	1,820	06/28/2003 06/28/2008	Common Stock	1,820
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.92	09/02/2004		M	1,820	05/15/2004 05/15/2009	Common Stock	1,820
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.7	09/02/2004		M	1,103	07/25/2004 07/25/2009	Common Stock	1,103
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12					04/02/2005 04/02/2010	Common Stock	1,103
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.4					04/23/2006 04/23/2011	Common Stock	1,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WEYERHAEUSER WILLIAM T 1301 A STREET, STE. 800 TACOMA, WA 98402-4200		X		

## Signatures

Cathleen Dent

02/06/2008

\*\*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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.