

Thomas William R III  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Thomas William R III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CAPITAL SOUTHWEST CORP  
 [CSWC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/18/2008

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Assistant Vice President

12900 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 700

(Street)

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

DALLAS, TX 75230

(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) |                  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D)                                                        | Price                                                                                         |                                                          |                                                       |                  |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | Code                                                              | V                                                                                             | Amount                                                   |                                                       |                  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/18/2008                           |                                                    | G                              | 577                                                               | D                                                                                             | \$ 107.28                                                | 33,658                                                | D <sup>(1)</sup> |
| Common Stock                    | 12/18/2008                           |                                                    | G                              | 577                                                               | A                                                                                             | \$ 107.28                                                | 2,230                                                 | I                |

See footnotes <sup>(1)</sup>

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. Nu Deriv Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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|                                            |                                                        |                                      |                                                    | 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 |
| Thomas William R III<br>12900 PRESTON ROAD<br>SUITE 700<br>DALLAS, TX 75230 |               | X         | Assistant Vice President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William R. Thomas, III 12/19/2008

\_\_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).
- (1) On 12/18/08, Mr. Thomas gifted 577 shares to his children who share his household. Mr. Thomas retains voting and investment control over these shares.

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