

Fitzmaurice Brian
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Fitzmaurice Brian

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CITY NATIONAL BANK, 555
S. FLOWER ST., 11TH FL.

(Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90071

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CITY NATIONAL CORP [CYN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP & Chief Credit Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ 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)
Common Stock	12/09/2011		M	6,800 A	\$ 23.68	63,783 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	12/09/2011		S	6,800 D	\$ 41.51	56,983 ⁽¹⁾	D

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.68	12/09/2011		M	6,800	(2) 03/05/2019	Common Stock	6,800

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Fitzmaurice Brian C/O CITY NATIONAL BANK 555 S. FLOWER ST., 11TH FL. LOS ANGELES, CA 90071			EVP & Chief Credit Officer	

Signatures

Brian
Fitzmaurice 12/09/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Includes 3332 shares of City National Corporation common stock held in the Reporting Person's City National Corporation Profit Sharing Plan as of November 30, 2011.
- (2) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 6, 2010.

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