RAMBUS INC Form 4 February 03, 2016

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading BLACK RONALD D Issuer Symbol RAMBUS INC [RMBS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1050 ENTERPRISE WAY, SUITE 02/01/2016 below) 700 President & CEO

> (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

SUNNYVALE, CA 94089

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/01/2016		A	100,000 (1)	A	\$ 0	212,531	D	
Common Stock	02/02/2016		A	173,866 (2)	A	\$0	386,397	D	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.31	02/01/2016		A	220,000	08/01/2016 <u>(3)</u>	02/01/2026	Common Stock	220

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	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 02/03/2016

**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).
- Shares are represented by restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of RMBS (1) common stock. The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning on February 1, 2017 or the first business trading day thereafter.
- Shares are represented by performance stock units. Each performance stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of (2) RMBS common stock. The performance stock units vest in full on February 2, 2018 based upon assessed achievement of the Company's targeted pro forma operating margin for Fiscal Year 2015 and continued service to the Company through the vest date.
- One tenth of the shares subject to the option vest on August 1, 2016 and the remaining shares vest in equal monthly installments until they are fully vested on February 1, 2020.

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