

DAVIDOW WILLIAM H  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
DAVIDOW WILLIAM H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RAMBUS INC [RMBS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
4440 EL CAMINO REAL  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/06/2005

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

LOS ALTOS, CA 94022  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V Amount (A) or (D) Price |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 17,916 A \$ 6.98          | 94,316  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 17,916 D \$ 14.0666       | 76,400  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2005                           |  | M                              |   | 12,916 A \$ 4.719         | 89,316  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/06/2005                           |  | S                              |   | 12,916 D \$ 14.0666       | 76,400  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   |                           | 60,000  | I  | By Trust  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |                           | 664,572   | I  |   |

Common  
Stock

By  
Family  
Trust

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. P  | 9. Pr                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)   | (D)                        |
| Director Stock Option 05                   | \$ 6.98  | 05/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 17,916  | 04/01/2002 <sup>(1)</sup>                                | 10/01/2011  | CS    | 17,916                     |
| Director Stop Option 06                    | \$ 4.719   | 05/06/2005                           |  | M                              | 12,916  | 11/01/2002 <sup>(2)</sup>                                | 10/01/2012  | CS    | 12,916                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DAVIDOW WILLIAM H<br>4440 EL CAMINO REAL<br>LOS ALTOS, CA 94022 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Robert K Eulau,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/10/2005

\_\_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) This option vested monthly and all of the remaining outstanding and exercisable shares were exercised in this transaction. The remaining 2,084 shares for this grant were cancelled on Mr. Davidow's termination date from Rambus's Board of Directors on 5/4/05.

(2) This option vested monthly and all of the remaining outstanding and exercisable shares were exercised in this transaction. The remaining 7,084 shares for this grant were cancelled on Mr. Davidow's termination date from Rambus's Board of Directors on 5/4/05.

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