EAST WEST BANCORP INC

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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**

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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 *

Schuler James Symbol

> EAST WEST BANCORP INC [EWBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EAST WEST BANK, 135 N. LOS

ROBLES AVE. 7TH FL.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/27/2015

PASADENA, CA 91101

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

below) **Executive Vice President**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu

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| (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code | Securities Acquired (A) | | (Month/Day/Year) | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|----------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| | | | | (Instr. 8) | | | | | | |
| | Derivative | | | | or Dispose | ed of | | | | |
| | Security | | | | (D) | | | | | |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, 4 | 4, | | | | |
| | | | | | and 5) | | | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Ar or Nu of |
| Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 02/27/2015 | | A | 10,012 (1) | | <u>(1)</u> | (1) | Common Stock | 10 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Schuler James EAST WEST BANK 135 N. LOS ROBLES AVE. 7TH FL. PASADENA, CA 91101

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Douglas P. Krause, Attorney-in-Fact

03/03/2015

**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).

The reported number of units represent the maximum amount of the award. Actual vesting will range depending upon the achievement of pre-established performance goals during the three-year performance period. On the settlement date, for each vested Performance-Based Restricted Units, the reporting person will received one share of the Company's Common Stock. Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units vest in three years.

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