BLACK CHARLES Form 5 February 13, 2012								
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	CATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES				Expires: 2005 Estimated average burden hours per response 1.0			
Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the	Section 16(a) of the S Public Utility Holdin of the Investment Co	g Compan	iy Act o	f 1935 or Sectior	1			
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> BLACK CHARLES	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011			X Director Officer (give t below)		6 Owner er (specify		
C/O ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORPORATION, 1299 OCEAN AVENUE, SECOND FLOOR	12/31/2011							
(Street)	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)			
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SANTA MONICA, CA 90401				_X_ Form Filed by C Form Filed by M Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Deri	vative Secu	rities Ac	quired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	lly Owned		
(Instr. 3) any	med 3. on Date, if Transaction Code Day/Year) (Instr. 8)		(A) or of (D)	Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common  Â Stock	Â	Â	ÂÂ	22,374 <u>(1)</u>	D	Â		

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)	of Deri Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (E (Inst	lumber Expiration Date f (Month/Day/Ye berivative ecurities cequired A) or bisposed		te	7. Title and a Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	( <u>3)</u>	( <u>3)</u>	Common Stock	6,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.2	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	10/04/2003	10/04/2012	Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.8	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/01/2004	05/01/2013	Common Stock	12,100

# **Reporting Owners**

Director 10% Owner Office	
	Other
BLACK CHARLES C/O ANWORTH MORTGAGE ASSET CORPORATION 1299 OCEAN AVENUE, SECOND FLOOR SANTA MONICA, CA 90401	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Charles Black 02/13/2012 \*\*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).

Includes 5,284 shares acquired from dividend reinvestment through the Anworth Mortgage Asset Corporation Dividend Reinvestment (1) and Stock Purchase Plan (the "Plan") from 2006 to 2010 and 2,207 shares acquired from dividend reinvestment through the Plan during 2011.

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(**2**) 1-for-1.

(3) The Restricted Stock Units vest upon the reporting person's retirement from the board of directors.

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