

PRESSLEY W MICHAEL  
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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 \*  
PRESSLEY W MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/08/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP & Chief Inv. Officer

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

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

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 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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					15,600 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					594 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Thrift Plan Trust
Torchmark Capital Trust III Preferred Securities	11/08/2011		P	367 A	\$ 25.44 3,867	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. 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PRESSLEY W MICHAEL 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070			VP & Chief Inv. Officer	

## Signatures

W. Michael Pressley, By:/s/Carol A. McCoy,  
Attorney-in-fact 11/10/2011

\_\_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) On July 1, 2011, the common stock of Torchmark Corporation split 3-for-2, resulting in reporting person's ownership of 5200 additional common shares.
- (2) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$42.60 per share (adjusted for 3-for-2 stock split).

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