

STONE SPENCER H
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 *
STONE SPENCER H

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TORCHMARK CORPORATION, 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/03/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/03/2012		M	6,000 A \$ 36.5134	38,000	D	
Common Stock	01/03/2012		S	6,000 D \$ 44.677 (1) (2)	32,000	D	
Common Stock					19,444 (3)	I	Thrift Plan Trust
Common Stock					17,100	I	By Spouse
					100	D	

Torchmark
Capital
Trust
Preferred
Securities
III

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.5134	01/03/2012		M	6,000	11/05/2005 05/04/2012	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STONE SPENCER H TORCHMARK CORPORATION 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233			Controller	

Signatures

Spencer H. Stone, By: /s/ Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact
01/03/2012

__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).

- (1) Sales at prices ranging from \$44.66 per share to \$44.6854 per share.
- (2) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.
- (3) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$43.67 per share.

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