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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**

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Smith S. Dawn

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3401 HILLVIEW AVENUE

(Street)

(State)

PALO ALTO, CA 94304

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

VMWARE, INC. [VMW]

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

04/21/2011

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 Other (specify

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below) Senior VP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Table I. Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Reneficially Ox

(- 3)	1	able 1 - Non-Derivative Securities	Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ar) (Instr. 8) (A) or	D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)
		Code V Amount (D) Pri	ice (Mistr. 5 and 1)
Class A Common Stock	04/21/2011	M 1,876 A \$ 45.	05 D
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number out 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 45.05	04/21/2011		M	1,876	(1)	10/14/2015	Class A Common Stock	1,876

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Smith S. Dawn 3401 HILLVIEW AVENUE PALO ALTO, CA 94304

Senior VP and General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Larry Wainblat, attorney-in-fact

04/25/2011

**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).

The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 90,000 shares of Class A Common stock, became exercisable as to one-quarter of (1) the shares on October 14, 2010, and vests in 36 equal monthly installments as to the remaining shares until fully exercisable on October 14, 2013.

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