

Knowlton Warren D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Knowlton Warren D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL INC  
[AMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
08/03/2011

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

GENERAL COUNSEL'S  
OFFICE, 1098 AMERIPRISE  
FINANCIAL CENTER

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474

(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)	Code V	Amount	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)**

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock (Annual) (1)	(2)	08/03/2011		A	285.009	(3) (3)	Common Stock	285.009
Phantom Stock (Retainer Deferral)	(2)	08/03/2011		A	498.765	(4) (4)	Common Stock	498.765

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Knowlton Warren D GENERAL COUNSEL'S OFFICE 1098 AMERIPRISE FINANCIAL CENTER MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55474	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Susan M. Beltz for Warren D.  
Knowlton

08/05/2011

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) The grant is made pursuant to a \$15,000 increase in the value of the annual equity grant approved by the Board of Directors, effective as of July 1, 2011.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. common stock.
- (3) Upon ceasing to be a non-employee director of Ameriprise Financial, Inc., the reporting director will receive common stock of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. in settlement of the reporting director's deferred share units on a one-for-one basis in a lump sum at the end of the quarter immediately following the quarter in which the reporting director's termination of service on the Board of Directors occurs.
- (4) Distribution of Ameriprise Financial, Inc. Deferred Stock Units are made in accordance with distribution elections made by the plan participants in the manner permitted by Ameriprise Financial Deferred Share Plan for Directors.

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