

RIDDLE RICHARD A  
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 \*  
RIDDLE RICHARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SALEM COMMUNICATIONS CORP /DE/ [SALM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/12/2012

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

4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD

(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

CAMARILLO, CA 93012

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012		P		500	A	\$ 3 55,391
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012		P		100	A	\$ 3.01 55,491
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012		P		2,100	A	\$ 3.02 57,591
Class A Common	03/12/2012		P		3,600	A	\$ 3.03 61,191

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Stock							
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	2,900	A	\$ 3.0475	64,091	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	1,800	A	\$ 3.0484	65,891	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	14,800	A	\$ 3.05	80,691	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	1,000	A	\$ 3.059	81,691	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	300	A	\$ 3.06	81,991	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	200	A	\$ 3.07	82,191	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	100	A	\$ 3.08	82,291	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	2,000	A	\$ 3.0872	84,291	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	1,100	A	\$ 3.09	85,391	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	10,000	A	\$ 3.0978	95,391	D
Class A Common Stock	03/12/2012	P	9,500	A	\$ 3.1	104,891	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)

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RIDDLE RICHARD A 4880 SANTA ROSA ROAD CAMARILLO, CA 93012		X		

## Signatures

/s/Christopher J. Henderson, Attorney-in-fact for Richard A. Riddle pursuant to a continuing power of attorney 03/13/2012

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Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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