FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Thomas William R III (Last) (First) (Middle) 12900 PRESTON ROAD SUITE 700 (Street) DALLAS TX 75230					3. D 10/:	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CAPITAL SOUTHWEST CORP [CSWC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/19/2009 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								(Chec	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Assistant Vice President 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S		Zip)												Persor					
		Tab	le I - Non-	Deriva	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	osed o	of, or Be	enefic	cially	Owned	t				
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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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Non- qualified Stock Option ⁽¹⁾	\$76.74	10/19/2009			A		5,000		10/19/2010	0 10	0/19/2019	Common Stock	(1)		\$76.74	10,000)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Exercisable in five (5) annual cumulative installments of 1,000 shares beginning 2010.

/s/ William R. Thomas, III 10/21/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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