# FORM 4

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |
|---|---|---|
| BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/ | GABELLI EQUITY TRUST INC [GAB] | ____ Director ___X__ 10% Owner ____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATE CENTER, 100 N. TRYON STREET | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>03/30/2011 | |
| (Street)<br>CHARLOTTE, NC 28255 | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br>___ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>_X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (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 | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/30/2011 | | P | | 1,841 | A | $ 6.17 | 1,841 | I | By Subsidiary |
| Common Stock | 03/30/2011 | | S | | 1,841 | D | $ 6.12 | 0 | I | By Subsidiary |

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. 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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BANK OF AMERICA CORP /DE/<br>BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATE CENTER<br>100 N. TRYON STREET<br>CHARLOTTE, NC 28255 | | X | | |
| MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INC.<br>4 WORLD FINANCIAL CENTER NORTH TOWER<br>NEW YORK, NY 10080 | | X | | |

## Signatures

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| Bank of America Corporation, By: /s/ Beth Dorfman, Authorized Signatory<br>**Signature of Reporting Person | 05/03/2011<br>Date |
| Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, By: /s/ Lawrence Emerson, Title: Attorney-In-Fact<br>**Signature of Reporting Person | 05/03/2011<br>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).

**Remarks:**

The transactions reported on this Form 4 were effected by Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of Bank of America Corporation.

Disgorgement of profits, if applicable, based on transactions reported above is being made by the Reporting Persons to the Issuer.

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