

SHAKEEL ARIF
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SHAKEEL ARIF

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WESTERN DIGITAL CORP
 [WDC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 11/08/2012

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

C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION, 3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100

(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

IRVINE, CA 92612

(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) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 11/08/2012 | | A | 6,458 | A | \$ 0 | 32,272 | D |
| Common Stock | 11/11/2012 | | M | 22 ⁽²⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 32,294 | 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)

| 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Dividend Equivalent Rights | (2) | 11/11/2012 | | M | 22.6853 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 22.6853 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHAKEEL ARIF
C/O WESTERN DIGITAL CORPORATION
3355 MICHELSON DRIVE, SUITE 100
IRVINE, CA 92612

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Signatures

By: /s/ Sandra Garcia Attorney-in-Fact For: Arif Shakeel

11/13/2012

__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) Represents the grant of restricted stock units to the reporting person. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.

The dividend equivalents were converted into, and paid in the form of, shares of the issuer's common stock on a one-for-one basis in connection with the vesting of restricted stock units to which the dividend equivalents relate. A cash amount equal to \$24.06 was also paid to the holder to settle a fractional dividend equivalent of 0.6853.

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