

Christensen Mark  
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**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Christensen Mark

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PIXELWORKS, INC [PXLW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
224 AIRPORT PARKWAY, SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/15/2012

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

(Street)  
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/15/2012		A	8,000 A 11	61,695	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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.37					(2) 05/19/2015	Common Stock	6,000
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 2.43					(2) 05/20/2018	Common Stock	3,333
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.14					(2) 05/22/2017	Common Stock	3,333

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Christensen Mark 224 AIRPORT PARKWAY SUITE 400 SAN JOSE, CA 95110	X			

## Signatures

By: Andrew P. Bates For: Mark Christensen  
Date: 05/16/2012

\_\_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).
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the registrant's common stock. The restricted stock units will vest in full on the first to occur of (1) the day before the next annual meeting of the registrant's shareholders that follows the grant date or (2) the first anniversary of the grant date. The restricted stock units will be paid upon vesting, subject to any election by the reporting person to defer payment of the units to a later date.
- (1)
  - (2) 25% vest on the last day of the month of the first anniversary of the date of grant, with the remaining 75% vesting ratably on a monthly basis thereafter over three years.

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