

REALNETWORKS INC
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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 *
BENHAMOU ERIC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

540 COWPER STREET, SUITE 200

(Street)

PALO ALTO, CA 94301

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
REALNETWORKS INC [RNWK]

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

10/18/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 10/18/2012 | | M | 6,172 A | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ 11,851 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 8,230 | I | By Trust |

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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 10/18/2012 | | M | 6,172 | 10/18/2012 ⁽³⁾ 10/18/2018 | Common Stock | 6,172 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BENHAMOU ERIC 540 COWPER STREET, SUITE 200 PALO ALTO, CA 94301 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ Eric Benhamou 10/22/2012

**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) Vested restricted stock units were distributed to the reporting person, without payment, in shares of common stock on a unit-for-share basis.
- (2) Converts into common stock on a unit-for-share basis on the share distribution date.
- (3) The restricted stock units were scheduled to vest in 12 substantially equal monthly installments until fully vested; however, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors fully accelerated such vesting upon Mr. Benhamou's retirement from the Board on October 18, 2012, the date of the Company's annual meeting of shareholders. The share distribution date applicable to the restricted stock units is the sooner to occur of (1) the first anniversary of the date of grant or (2) the date of separation from the Board.

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