

CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC  
 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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Stark Jack H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CONTINENTAL RESOURCES INC [CLR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 P. O. BOX 1032, 302 N. INDEPENDENCE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/08/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below) Sr. V.P. Exploration  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

ENID, OK 73702

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/08/2012		M	82,000 A \$ 0.7064	131,040 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/08/2012		F	32,984 D \$ 89.49	98,056 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					136,800	I	Limited liability company owned by reporter and his spouse

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Common Stock 440 <sup>(2)</sup> I By daughter

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.7064	03/08/2012		M	82,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 03/31/2012	Common Stock	82,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stark Jack H P. O. BOX 1032 302 N. INDEPENDENCE ENID, OK 73702			Sr. V.P. Exploration	

## Signatures

Eric S. Eissenstat, Attorney in Fact 03/09/2012

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) Includes 13,200 shares of restricted common stock which vest on October 5, 2012; 20,000 shares of restricted common stock which vest on November 15, 2013; and 15,840 shares of restricted common stock which vest on November 15, 2014.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his daughter.

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(3) 88,000 options granted April 1, 2002. Per terms of award, all options have vested.

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