Schramm David Form 4 January 25, 2011

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

MAXWELL TECHNOLOGIES INC

Symbol

[MXWL]

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Schramm David

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

C/O MAXV TECHNOL BALBOA	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2011					X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and President						
(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person						
SAN DIEGO, CA 92123									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-	-De	erivative	Secui	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	Code (Instr. 8)	ion V	4. Securit (A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D) 5) Price	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)	
Common Stock	01/24/2011			F		2,610 (1)	D	\$ 17.65	45,277	D		
Common Stock									101,172	I	By Schramm Family Trust (2)	
Common Stock									800	I	By IRA	
Common									600	I	By Wife's	

Stock **IRA**

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			•	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Schramm David C/O MAXWELL TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 9244 BALBOA AVENUE SAN DIEGO, CA 92123

X

CEO and President

Relationships

Signatures

David J. 01/25/2011 Schramm

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- These shares were retained by the Company in order to meet the tax withholding obligations of the award holder in connection with the (1) release of the holders' restricted stock award. These shares retained by the Company are retired and the amount was not excess of the amount of the tax liability.
- (2) The reported securities are owned directly by Schramm Family Trust and indirectly by David Schramm.

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