

STEYN DAVID A  
Form 4  
December 20, 2010

**FORM 4**

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

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may continue.  
See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STEYN DAVID A

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN  
HOLDING L.P. [AB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/10/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
Chief Operating Officer

C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN  
L.P., 1345 AVENUE OF THE  
AMERICAS

(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  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

NEW YORK, NY 10105

(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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	

units rep.  
assignments  
of beneficial  
owner. of lp  
interests <sup>(1)</sup>

12/10/2010

A

149,315  
<sup>(2)</sup>

A

\$  
23.72  
<sup>(3)</sup>

258,877 <sup>(2)</sup>  
<sup>(3)</sup>

I

by rabbi trust  
under  
employee  
incentive  
compensation  
award  
program

Holding  
Units <sup>(1)</sup>

27,474

I

By Alliance  
Trust SIPP  
FBO David

Steyn

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Report Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
STEYN DAVID A C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. 1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK, NY 10105	Chief Operating Officer

## Signatures

/s/ Laurence E. Cranch, by pwr.  
of att'y 12/20/2010

\_\_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) Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. ("Holding Units").
- (2) Reporting Person's 2010 incentive compensation award was made in the form of Holding Units. He therefore may be deemed to have acquired 149,315 Holding Units. These Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under the incentive compensation award program until they vest and are distributed to Reporting Person. The award vests (subject to various agreements and covenants set forth in the award

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agreement) in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

- (3) The price reflected in the table is the closing price of a Holding Unit as reported for New York Stock Exchange composite transactions on December 10, 2010, the date the award was approved by the Compensation Committee ("Committee") of the Board of Directors of AllianceBernstein Corporation. This form was not filed within 48 hours of the grant date because, on that date, the Committee authorized our Chief Executive Officer to finalize the exact amount of the award at a later date; our CEO finalized the award on December 16, 2010.

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