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

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 (Amendment No.)*

BANCWEST CORPORATION (Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$1.00 PER SHARE (Title of Class of Securities)

059790105 (CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement []. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7).

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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(1)	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSON									
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(2)			ATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A			(a) b)	_]	
(3)	SEC USE ONLY									
(4)	CITIZENSHIP	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION								
	A DELAWARE (CORPORAT	TON							
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		(5)	SOLE VOTING POWER 1,000,676.925							
		(6)	SHARED VOTING POWER 1,199,554							
		(7)	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POW 963,451.925							
		(8)	1,229,519							
(9)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON									
	2,449,298.945									
(10)	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES*									
(11)	PERCENT OF	CLASS RE	PRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN	ROW 9						
	7.8									
(12)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*									
	HC									
	*	SEE INST	RUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING	G OUT!						

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SCHEDULE G

Item 1(a) Name of Issuer.

BancWest Corporation

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices.

999 Bishop Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing.

BancWest Corporation

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if none, Residence.

999 Bishop Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Item 2(c) Citizenship.

A Delaware Corporation

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities.

Common Stock, Par Value \$1.00 Per Share

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number.

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- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:
 - (a). [] Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act
 - (b). [] Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act
 - (c). [] Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act
- (d). [] Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act $\,$
- (e). [] Investment Adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 $\,$
- (f). [] Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or Endowment Fund; see Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)
- (g). [X] Parent Holding Company, in accordance with Rule 240.13d-1(b)(ii)(G) (Note: See Item 7)
 - (h). [] Group, in accordance with Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(H)

Item 4. Ownership.

If the percent of the class owned, as of December 31 of the year covered by the statement, or as of the last day of any month described in Rule 13d-1(b)(2), if applicable, exceeds five percent, provide the following information as of that date and identify those shares which there is a right to acquire.

- (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 2,449,298.945
- (b) Percent of Class: 7.8
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
 - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,000,676.925
 - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,199,554
- (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 963,451.925
- (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 1,229,519
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [].

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

If any other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such securities, a statement to that effect should be included in response to this item and, if such interest relates to more than five percent of the class, such person should be identified. A listing of the shareholders of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the beneficiaries of employee benefit plan, pension fund or endowment fund is not required.

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

If a parent holding company has filed this schedule, pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(G), so indicate under Item 3(g) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and the Item 3 classification of the relevant subsidiary. If a parent holding company has filed this schedule pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), attach an exhibit stating the identification of the relevant subsidiary.

See Exhibit 1.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b)(ii)(H), so indicate under Item 3(h) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and Item 3 classification of each member of the group. If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), attach an exhibit stating the identity of each member of the group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Notice of dissolution of a group may be furnished as an exhibit stating the date of the dissolution and that all further filings with respect to transactions in the security reported on will be filed, if required, by members of the group, in their individual capacity. See Item 5.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 12, 1999

Ву

Herhert F Wolff

Herbert E. Wolff Senior Vice President-Secretary -----

EXHIBIT 1.

BancWest Corporation (HC) is the parent holding company of First Hawaiian Bank (BK), a bank.
