

NUVEEN CALIFORNIA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND 2  
 Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement		3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â CITIGROUP INC			02/28/2011		NUVEEN CALIFORNIA DIVIDEND ADVANTAGE MUNICIPAL FUND 2 [NVX]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
399 PARK AVENUE			(Check all applicable)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(Street)			_____ Director			_____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10043			_____ Officer			_____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(give title below)			(specify below)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Auction Rate Preferred	161	I	By Subsidiary <u>(1)</u>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

Shares (I)  
(Instr. 5)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CITIGROUP INC 399 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10043	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

Citigroup Inc., By: /s/ Ali L. Karshan, Assistant Secretary 03/10/2011

Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The Auction Preferred Shares ("Shares") reported in Table I represent Shares beneficially owned by Citigroup Global Markets Inc. ("CGMI"). Citigroup Financial Products Inc. ("CFP") is the sole stockholder of CGMI. Citigroup Global Markets Holdings Inc. ("CGMH") is the sole stockholder of CFP. Citigroup Inc. is the sole stockholder of CGMH.

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### Remarks:

These Shares represent the Reporting Person's combined holdings in multiple series of auction preferred

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