A secondary (2°) benzylic carbocation is a benzylic carbocation in which the benzylic carbon bearing the formal charge of +1 is a secondary carbon.

eg. 1:

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\begin{align*}
\text{benzylic carbon; secondary carbon}
\end{align*}
\]

eg. 2:

\[
\begin{align*}
\text{benzylic carbon; secondary carbon}
\end{align*}
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See also primary benzylic carbocation and tertiary benzylic carbocation.

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