

M&T BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WILMERS ROBERT G**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ONE M&T PLAZA**

(Street)

**BUFFALO, NY 14203-2399**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**M&T BANK CORP [MTB]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/27/2012**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman of the Board and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price (A) or (D)			
Common Stock	01/27/2012		A <sup>(1)</sup>	480.11 A <sup>(1)</sup> \$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	3,058,976.1	D	
Common Stock					50,029	I	By 401 (k) Plan <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					214,540	I	GRAT #5 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock					224,766	I	GRAT #6 <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock					400,000	I	See footnote <sup>(5)</sup>

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Common Stock	78,532	I	See footnote <u>(6)</u>
Common Stock	141,825	I	See footnote <u>(7)</u>
Common Stock	203,664	I	See footnote <u>(8)</u>
Common Stock	165,924	I	See footnote <u>(9)</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 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)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
Phantom Common Stock Units	<u>(10)</u>					<u>(10)</u>	<u>(10)</u>	Common Stock	<u>(10)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILMERS ROBERT G ONE M&T PLAZA BUFFALO, NY 14203-2399	X		Chairman of the Board and CEO	

## Signatures

By: Brian R. Yoshida, Esq.  
(Attorney-In-Fact)

01/31/2012

\_\_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) The reported transaction involves an award of fully vested restricted stock issued under the M&T Bank Corporation 2009 Equity Incentive Compensation Plan. The stock represents a portion of the reporting person's salary and may be subject to restrictions on transfer. For more information, please see the Current Report on Form 8-K filed by M&T Bank Corporation on January 25, 2011.
- (2) The restricted stock was granted under an equity incentive compensation plan maintained by M&T Bank Corporation, and therefore the reporting person paid no price for the restricted stock.
- (3) The information presented is as of December 30, 2011.
- (4) The indicated shares are held by Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts No's. 5 and 6, respectively, under indentures dated July 23, 1993 (individually, a "GRAT" and collectively, the "GRATs"). The reporting person is a trustee of each GRAT and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by the GRATs.
- (5) The indicated shares are held by a limited liability company of which the reporting person is the sole member.
- (6) The indicated shares are held by the Roche Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is the sole director and president of the Roche Foundation and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (7) The indicated shares are held by the West Ferry Foundation, a charitable trust in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is the trustee of the West Ferry Foundation and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (8) The indicated shares are held by the St. Simon Charitable Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is a director and President of the St. Simon Charitable Foundation and holds voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (9) The indicated shares are held by the Interlaken Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is a director and President of the Interlaken Foundation and holds voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (10) The reported phantom common stock units are held by the reporting person in an excess benefit plan account maintained by M&T Bank Corporation and represent a like number of shares of M&T Bank Corporation common stock. The phantom common stock units may only be settled in cash upon distribution in accordance with the terms of the plan. The reported phantom common stock units also include units acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the plan.

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