BANK OF THE OZARKS INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 17901 CHE BOX 8811	(First) (I	Middle) Y, PO		f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 017				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Risk Officer			
LITTLE RO	(Street) 4. In File TTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811				ite Origina	.1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
(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)	e 2A. Deer Execution		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ties l (A) o l of (E	or))	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	
Common Stock	01/18/2017			A	1,612 (1)	A	\$ 0	2,826	D		
Common Stock								329	I	Shares held in 401(k) at 01/18/2017	
Common Stock								100	I	Shares held by Spouse	
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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 52.08	01/18/2017		A	1,612	01/18/2020	01/18/2024	Common Stock	1,612

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WYDOCK EDWARD J 17901 CHENAL PARKWAY PO BOX 8811 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811

Chief Risk Officer

Signatures

/s/ Ed Wydock 01/20/2017

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- These shares were issued under the Company's Restricted Stock and Incentive Plan in accordance with Rule 16b-3(d) and are subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture until vested. 100% of these shares vest on 01/18/2020, three years after the date of grant, if the individual remains employed with the Company through such date.

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