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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Zember Dennis J JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ameris Bancorp [ABCB]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) P.O. BOX 3		(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012			(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CFO					
MOULTRII		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					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	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secui	rities Acq	Person uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, Amount	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common	12/31/2012			F	5,030	D	12.48	108,921.195	D		
Common								2,076	I	Sons	

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Zember Dennis J JR P.O. BOX 3668 MOULTRIE, GA 31776

EVP & CFO

Signatures

Dennis J. Zember Jr., by: Cara P. Horne, Attorney In Fact 01/02/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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