

MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**SULLIVAN THOMAS R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
 [MBWM]**

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**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD STREET**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**06/01/2014**

(Street)  
**GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)
Common Stock	06/01/2014		A	30,330 A (1)	30,330	I	by IRA
Common Stock	06/01/2014		A	16,728 A (2)	16,728	D	
Common Stock	06/01/2014		A	53,814 A (3)	53,814	I	by 401K

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 24.4639	06/01/2014		A	1,736	06/01/2014	11/22/2014	Common Stock	1,736
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 22.8662	06/01/2014		A	1,653	06/01/2014	11/28/2015	Common Stock	1,653
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 22	06/01/2014		A	1,575	06/01/2014	11/27/2016	Common Stock	1,575
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 16	06/01/2014		A	7,000	06/01/2014	12/03/2017	Common Stock	7,000
Employee Stock	\$ 7.8	06/01/2014		A	7,000	06/01/2014	11/24/2018	Common Stock	7,000

Option  
(Common  
Stock -  
right to  
buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SULLIVAN THOMAS R C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD STREET GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504			CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD	

## Signatures

/s/ Bradley J. Wyatt, 06/03/2014  
Attorney-in-Fact

    \*\*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).

- Received in exchange for 30,330 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock in connection with the merger of Firstbank Corporation
- (1) into Mercantile Bank Corporation (the "Merger"). On the effective date of the Merger, the closing price of Firstbank's common stock was \$21.59 per share and the closing price of Mercantile's common stock was \$21.43 per share.
  - (2) Received in exchange for 16,728 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock in connection with the Merger.
  - (3) Received in exchange for 53,814 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock in connection with the Merger.
  - (4) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 1,736 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock for \$24.4639 per share.
  - (5) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 1,653 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock for \$22.8662 per share.
  - (6) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 1,575 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock for \$22.00 per share.
  - (7) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,000 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock for \$16.00 per share.
  - (8) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,000 shares of Firstbank Corporation common stock for \$7.80 per share.

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