BANNER CORP Form 4 March 29, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BARTON RICHARD B** Issuer Symbol BANNER CORP [BANR] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 10 SOUTH FIRST AVE 03/27/2017 below) Executive VP, Banner Bank (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			d of (D) 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$.01	03/27/2017		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$ 52.75		D	
par value per share	03/2//2017		Г	103 (-)	ע	(2)	10,824 (5)	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	03/28/2017		F	115 (4)	D	\$ 54 (5)	10,709 (3)	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Date		Amount	t of	Derivative	Deriv
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					4, and 5)						
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								0			
				Code V	(A) (D)			S	Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARTON RICHARD B 10 SOUTH FIRST AVE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

Executive VP, Banner Bank

Signatures

/s/Richard B. 03/29/2017 Barton

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- 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) Shares relinquished to cover tax obligation on vesting of 389 shares of restricted stock pursuant to 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- (2) Market price on March 27, 2017.
- Includes direct ownership of 1,035 shares through IRA and 549 shares through 401(k) Plan.
- Shares relinquished to cover tax obligation on vesting of 417 shares of restricted stock pursuant to 2012 Restricted Stock and Incentive Bonus Plan.
- (5) Market price on March 28, 2017.

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