#### CHENG DUNSON K

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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*See* Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHENG DUNSON K			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP [CATY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) 777 NORTH F	(First)  BROADWA	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2019	_X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Chairman
(Street)			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
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 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 Stock					(2)	11.00	435,577	I	Husband & Wife Trust
Common Stock							182,452	I	Nonmarital Share Trust
Common Stock							102,904	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	01/02/2019		M(1)	17,374	A	\$ 0	48,202	D	
Common Stock	01/02/2019		F <u>(1)</u>	6,236 (4)	D	\$ 33.53	41,966	D	

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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)

<ol> <li>Title of</li> </ol>	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	8
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	iorDerivative	Expiration D	ate	Underlying S	Securities	Ι
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)	S
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)					(
	Derivative				or Disposed of					
	Security				(D)					
	-				(Instr. 3, 4,					
					and 5)					
						ъ.	E		Amount	
						Date	Expiration	Title	or	
				G 1 T	(4)	Exercisable	Date		Number	
				Code V	(A) (D)				of Shares	
Restricted										
	(1)	01/02/2010		N	20,111	(3)	(3)	Common	20 111	
Stock	<u>(1)</u>	01/02/2019		M	(2)	(3)	(3)	Stock	20,111	
Units					_			2.3411		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CHENG DUNSON K							
777 NORTH BROADWAY	X		<b>Executive Chairman</b>				
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012							

## **Signatures**

/s/ Georgia Lo,
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).
- Shares of the Issuer's Common Stock received by the Reporting Person from the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units (1) granted on December 17, 2015. Such restricted stock units were previously reported in Table II on a Form 4 filed by the Reporting Person with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 21, 2015.
- (2) Of the previously reported target award of 20,111 shares of performance-based restricted stock units, 80% of the target award was earned based upon the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- (3) Performance-based restricted stock units vested on December 31, 2018.
- (4) Shares withheld by the Registrant to satisfy tax withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units, based on closing price on December 31, 2018.

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