

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SHEAHAN DENIS K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
[INDB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/19/2015

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Chief Operating Officer

C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP, 288 UNION STREET

(Street)

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

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

(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)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/19/2015		M			17,000	A	\$ 28.27	67,767.7843 (1)	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2015		F			12,745	D	\$ 43.85	55,022.7843	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2015		M			10,000	A	\$ 32.995	65,022.7843	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2015		F			8,250	D	\$ 43.85	56,772.7843	D	
Common Stock	03/19/2015		M			6,500	A	\$ 27.425	63,272.7843	D	

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Common Stock	03/19/2015	F	4,785	D	\$ 43.85	58,487.7843	D	
Common Stock						2,018.1238 (2)	I	By Filer f/b/o Sons
Common Stock						1,011.4104 (3)	I	by Filer f/b/o daughter

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
NQ Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.27	03/19/2015		M	17,000	02/14/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/31/2015	Common Stock	17,000
NQ Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.995	03/19/2015		M	10,000	02/15/2008 <sup>(5)</sup>	03/31/2015	Common Stock	10,000
NQ Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.425	03/19/2015		M	6,500	02/17/2012 <sup>(6)</sup>	03/31/2015	Common Stock	6,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SHEAHAN DENIS K  
C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
288 UNION STREET  
ROCKLAND, MA 02370

Chief Operating Officer

## Signatures

Sarah E. Hutchings, Power of Attorney for Denis K.  
Sheahan

03/20/2015

\_\_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).
- (1) Total Holdings include 10,643.1472 shares held in Filer's 401(k) account. On 2/23/15 there were excess funds returned to the Filer as a result of annual discrimination testing, which resulted in the cash out of approximately 70 shares as part of the return of the excess funds.
- (2) Shares held in Filer's name f/b/o sons. The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act, the beneficial owner of such securities.
- (3) Shares held in Filer's name f/b/o daughter. The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of the Exchange Act, the beneficial owner of such securities.
- (4) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan. 3400 shares became exercisable annually, beginning on February 14, 2009.
- (5) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan. 2000 shares became exercisable annually, beginning on February 15, 2008.
- (6) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan. 2167 shares became exercisable on February 17, 2012 and February 17, 2013, and the remainder of shares became exercisable on February 17, 2014.

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