BANNER CORP Form 4 March 15, 2017

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Reed James T Jr

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BANNER CORP [BANR]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2017

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

below)

Issuer

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Executive VP, Banner Bank

10% Owner

Other (specify

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				()	Reported		
					Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common							
Stock, \$.01 par value	03/14/2017		D	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 1,514 & D & \$ 0 \end{array} $	11,884 (2)	D	
Stock, \$.01	03/14/2017			1 51/	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		

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 Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr. 3	3 and 4)		Own
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				C + V	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reed James T Jr 10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

Executive VP, Banner Bank

Signatures

/s/ James T. 03/15/2017 Reed, Jr. Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- The amount of shares reflects the forfeiture of 1,514 shares of restricted stock based on the results of the performance-based metrics of the restricted stock during the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.
- (2) Includes direct ownership of 825 shares through IRA.

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