**ROSS MARK D** 

Form 4

September 27, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **ROSS MARK D** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(Middle) (First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

09/26/2006

below) Vice Chairman, President, COO

12615 CHENAL PARKWAY, P.O. **BOX 8811** 

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Issuer

LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tab   | ole I - Non-  | Derivativ | e Secu                       | rities Acq   | uired, Disposed o  | of, or Beneficia   | ally Owned  |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|-----------|------------------------------|--------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. 4. Securit<br>Transaction(A) or Dis<br>Code (Instr. 3, 4<br>(Instr. 8) |           | ispose<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or | d of (D)     | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/26/2006                              |   | G   | 150       | D                            | \$<br>34.525 | 67,250   | D  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/26/2006                              |   | G   | 550       | D                            | \$<br>34.525 | 67,250   | I  | Shares held by Wife   |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |   |           |                              |              | 74,100   | I  | Shares held in 401(k) at 9/26/2006                                |
| Common<br>Stock                      |   |   |   |           |                              |              | 145,200  | I  | Shares held<br>by Holt<br>Ross                                    |

Children's Trust #5

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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. Titl | e and    | 8. Price of | 9. Nu  |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-------------|---------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transacti  | orNumber   | Expiration D | ate         | Amou    | int of   | Derivative  | Deriv  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code       | of         | (Month/Day/  | Year)       | Under   | lying    | Security    | Secur  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ  | e            |             | Securi  | ities    | (Instr. 5)  | Bene   |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |            | Securities | 3            |             | (Instr. | 3 and 4) |             | Own    |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |            | Acquired   |              |             |         |          |             | Follo  |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | (A) or     |              |             |         |          |             | Repo   |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | Disposed   |              |             |         |          |             | Trans  |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | of (D)     |              |             |         |          |             | (Instr |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | (Instr. 3, |              |             |         |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            | 4, and 5)  |              |             |         |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |              |             |         | Amount   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            |              |             |         | or       |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Date         | Expiration  | Title   | Number   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |            |            | Exercisable  | Date        |         | of       |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V     | (A) (D)    |              |             |         | Shares   |             |        |

#### **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| <b>F</b>   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |  |  |  |
| ROSS MARK D<br>12615 CHENAL PARKWAY<br>P.O. BOX 8811<br>LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811 | X             |           | Vice Chairman, President, COO |       |  |  |  |

#### **Signatures**

/s/ Mark D. Ross 09/27/2006

\*\*Signature of Person Date

\*\*Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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