

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
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 \*  
SPURR JOHN H JR

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)  
12/23/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock					17,287.577	(1)	D
Common Stock					623.604	I	by spouse (2)
Common Stock	12/23/2008		G	V 250	D \$ 0	2,293.363	I by Trust (3)
Common Stock					12,995	I	by Trusts (4)
Common Stock					300,613.135	I	by Corp. (5)

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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)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SPURR JOHN H JR C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP 288 UNION STREET ROCKLAND, MA 02370	X			

## Signatures

Linda M. Campion, Power of Attorney for John H. Spurr, Jr. 12/29/2008

\_\_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 1,200 restricted stock shares and 133.942032 common stock shares received pursuant to the Independent Bank Corp. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since last Form 4 filing (7/08). The latter shares are exempt from the reporting requirements of Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(2) Shares held i/n/o spouse include 5.191941 shares acquired pursuant to the Independent Bank Corp. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last Form 4 filing (7/08). Such transactions are exempt from the reporting requirements of Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of the aforementioned Act, the beneficial owner of such securities.

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- (3) Shares held i/n/o John H. Spurr, Jr. 1998 Trust on which the Filer is a Trustee and Life Beneficiary. Holdings include 18,669 shares received pursuant to the Independent Bank Corp. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last Form 4 filing. Such transactions are exempt from the reporting requirements of Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

- Trust shares represented as: 2,415 shares held i/n/o Elizabeth P. Spurr 1972 Trust f/b/o Filer, who is co-trustee and remaindermer of Trust. 2,415 shares held i/n/o Elizabeth P. Spurr 1972 Trust f/b/o Filer's sister. Filer is co-trustee of Trust. 8,165 shares held i/n/o John H. Spurr 1993 Trust f/b/o Filer, who is a co-trustee and remaindermer of Trust. The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act, the beneficial owner of such securities held by Trusts.

- (5) Shares held i/n/o A.W.Perry Security Corporation. Filer is President of this corporation. The filing of this statement should not be construed as an admission that the undersigned is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the beneficial owner of such securities.

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