

FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G

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)  
 288 UNION STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/16/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Senior Vice President

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 1,287   | D  | \$ 27.831   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 800   | D  | \$ 27.844   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 400   | D  | \$ 27.87  |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 300   | D  | \$ 27.911   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/16/2012                           |  | S                              |   | 200   | D  | \$ 27.94  |

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|              |            |   |                             |   |                                    |                       |   |
|--------------|------------|---|-----------------------------|---|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | S | 100                         | D | \$ 27.99                           | 17,189                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | S | 500                         | D | \$ 28                              | 16,689                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | S | 213                         | D | \$ 28.02                           | 16,476                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | A | <u>3,800</u> <sup>(1)</sup> | A | \$ 0                               | 20,276                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2012 | F | 151                         | D | \$<br><u>28.275</u> <sup>(2)</sup> | 20,125                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2012 | M | 2,695                       | A | \$ 23.47                           | 22,820                | D |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2012 | M | 1,105                       | A | \$ 23.47                           | 23,925 <sup>(3)</sup> | D |

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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| ISO - Stock Option (Right to Buy)          | \$ 23.47   | 02/17/2012                           |  | M                              | 2,695   | 01/02/2005 <sup>(4)</sup>                                | 12/19/2012  | Common Stock | 2,695                      |
| NQ - Stock Option (Right to                | \$ 23.47   | 02/20/2012                           |  | M                              | 1,105   | 06/20/2003 <sup>(5)</sup>                                | 12/19/2012  | Common Stock | 1,105                      |

Buy)

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G<br>288 UNION STREET<br>ROCKLAND, MA 02370 |               |           | Senior<br>Vice<br>President |       |

## Signatures

Jennifer M. Kingston, Power of Attorney 02/21/2012

\_\_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) Independent Bank Corp. awarded restricted stock to reporting person.
- (2) Price stated is the FMV as of February 17, 2012. FMV is calculated in accordance with the terms of the Restricted Stock Agreement.
- (3) Total holdings also reflects the transfer of Independent Bank Corp. [Common Stock] pursuant to a domestic relations order, which transfer was exempt pursuant to Rule 16a-12 since the last Form 4 filing (5/11).  
Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan (1997 Plan). 826 shares became exercisable on 6/20/03, 2,031 shares became exercisable on 1/2/04, and the remaining 2,533 shares became exercisable on 1/2/05, subject to the earlier termination of employment or acceleration of vesting schedule under certain termination of employee circumstances.
- (5) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 1997 Employee Stock Option Plan (1997 Plan). 1,708 shares became exercisable on 6/20/03 and the remaining 502 shares became exercisable on 1/2/04, subject to the earlier termination of employment or acceleration of vesting schedule under certain termination of employee circumstances.

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