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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â James Dennis R			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	05/16/2016	4. Relationshi Person(s) to Is					5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
17901 CHENAL PARKWAY (Street) LITTLE ROCK, AR 72223					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) EVP/Director of M & A		Owner ow)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned						neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity			2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		F D o (1	Ownership Form: Direct (D) r Indirect	4. Na Owne (Instr	*	
Common Sto	ock			43,470			D	Â		
Common Sto	ock			10,730			I	Shar	es held by Spouse	
Common Sto	ock			7,848			I		es held in 401(k) as of 0/2016	
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securi owned directly or indirectly.			urities benefici	ially	SEC	C 1473 (7-02)			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exerc	sable and 3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4) Expiration Da	te Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial

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		Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/18/2018	11/18/2022	Common Stock	8,000	\$ 53.005	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/17/2017	11/17/2021	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 36.045	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/04/2016	11/04/2020	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 24.7925	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/05/2015	11/05/2019	Common Stock	4,000	\$ 15.9275	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/18/2014	10/18/2018	Common Stock	1,600	\$ 11.8425	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/19/2013	10/19/2017	Common Stock	2,800	\$ 9.4175	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
James Dennis R 17901 CHENAL PARKWAY LITTLE ROCK. AR 72223	Â	Â	EVP/Director of M & A	Â			

Signatures

/s/ Dennis R
James

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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