

BANK OF THE OZARKS INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * James Dennis R (Last) (First) (Middle) 17901 CHENAL PARKWAY (Street) LITTLE ROCK, AR 72223 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2016	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) EVP/Director of M & A	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	43,470	D	^
Common Stock	10,730	I	Shares held by Spouse
Common Stock	7,848	I	Shares held in 401(k) as of 05/20/2016

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying	4. Conversion	5. Ownership	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	Ownership (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	Â EVP/Director of M & A	Â

Signatures

/s/ Dennis R
James

05/25/2016

**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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