

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**07/29/2015**

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

**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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/29/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>	4,250 A	\$ 28.27	26,429	D
Common Stock	07/29/2015		F	529 D	\$ 48.02	22,179 <sup>(2)</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)
NQ Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.27	07/29/2015		M <sup>(1)</sup>	4,250	02/14/2009 <sup>(3)</sup> 02/14/2018	Common Stock 4,250

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. 288 UNION STREET ROCKLAND, MA 02370			Senior Vice President	

**Signatures**

/s/ Sarah E.Hutchings, Power of Attorney for Raymond G. Fuerschbach 07/31/2015

\_\_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) The exercise of this stock option was at the direction of the reporting person's former spouse pursuant to a divorce settlement decree and therefore did not result in an acquisition of beneficial ownership by the reporting person.
- (2) Amount reflects the transfer to the reporting officer's former spouse of the 4,250 shares (less shares withheld to satisfy tax obligations) underlying the stock option exercised on 7/29/15 as referenced in footnote (1).
- (3) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan 1700 shares became exercisable on 2/14/09 and 1700 shares became exercisable annually from 2/14/10 to 2/14/13.

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