

FUERSCHBACH RAYMOND G
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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)
 02/17/2011

____ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2011 | | A ⁽¹⁾ | 2,500 A \$ 0 | 12,100 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 19,225 | I | by Broker |

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 (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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 27.425 | 02/17/2011 | | A | 3,500 | 02/17/2012 ⁽²⁾ 02/17/2021 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

By: Tara M. Villanova, Power of Attorney For: Raymond G. Fuerschbach
Date: 02/22/2011

__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.

Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Plan ("2005 Plan"). 1,167 shares shall first become exercisable on 2/17/12, 1,167 shares shall first become exercisable on 2/17/13, and 1,166 shares shall first become exercisable on 2/17/14. The options will expire ten years from the date of grant on 02/17/21, unless earlier terminated in accordance with the Stock Option Plan.

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