

Reed James T Jr  
Form 4  
April 03, 2018

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Reed James T Jr

(Last) (First) (Middle)

10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE

(Street)

WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BANNER CORP [BANR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
04/02/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Executive VP, Banner Bank

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)            | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock, \$.01<br>par value<br>per share | 04/02/2018                              |                                                             | F                                       | 103 <sup>(1)</sup><br>D                                                 | \$<br>55.29 <sup>(2)</sup><br>12,984 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                | D                                                                    |                                         |
| Common<br>Stock, \$.01<br>par value<br>per share | 04/02/2018                              |                                                             | A                                       | 1,200 <sup>(4)</sup><br>A                                               | \$<br>54.88 <sup>(5)</sup><br>14,184 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                | D                                                                    |                                         |
| Common<br>Stock, \$.01<br>par value<br>per share | 04/02/2018                              |                                                             | A                                       | 1,800 <sup>(6)</sup><br>A                                               | \$<br>54.88 <sup>(5)</sup><br>15,984 <sup>(3)</sup>                                                                | D                                                                    |                                         |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repor<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                          | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                      |

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reed James T Jr  
10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE  
WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

Executive VP, Banner Bank

## Signatures

/s/James T.  
Reed, Jr.

04/03/2018

\*\*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) Shares relinquished to cover tax obligations on vesting of 439 shares of restricted stock pursuant to 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- (2) Market price on March 29, 2018.
- (3) Includes direct ownership of 825 shares through IRA.

- Represents award pursuant to 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan; shares vest ratably over a three-year period beginning on April 2, 2018 and ending on the third anniversary thereof. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon vesting. These restricted stock units are subject to forfeiture and to limits on transferability until they vest.
- (5) Market price on April 2, 2018.

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- Represents award pursuant to 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan and is subject to the achievement of specified corporate and individual performance goals over a period that began on January 1, 2018 and ends on December 31, 2020. The extent to which the award vests, if at
- (6) all, depends on the extent to which the performance goals are satisfied. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon vesting. These restricted stock units are subject to forfeiture and to limits on transferability until they vest.

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