Burrus John E Form 4 March 11, 2010

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Burrus John E

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

ESSA Bancorp, Inc. [ESSA]

(Check all applicable)

200 PALMER STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/10/2010

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

STROUDSBURG, PA 18360

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally 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 nsaction(A) or Disposed of (D) de (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/10/2010		S	467	D	\$ 12.97	23,239 (1)	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		S	308	D	\$ 12.99	22,931 (1)	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2010		S	700	D	\$ 13	22,231 (1)	D	
Common Stock							60	I	As custodian for grandchild

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Common Stock	3,540	I	By spouse's IRA
Common Stock	5,580	I	By IRA
Common Stock	60	I	As custodian for grandchild 3
Common Stock	60	I	As custodian for grandchild 2

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pri Deriv Secun (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 12.35					05/23/2009	05/23/2018	Common Stock	54,127 (2)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Burrus John E	X						
200 PALMER STREET							

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Signatures

/s/ Marc P. Levy, Pursuant to Power of Attorney

03/11/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Includes shares of restricted stock that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.
- (2) Reflects stock options that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.

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