Ameris Bancorp Form 4 December 18, 2014

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. *See* Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LYNCH ROBERT P Issuer Symbol Ameris Bancorp [ABCB] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title P.O. BOX 3668 12/16/2014 below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial any (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 1,000 \$ Common 12/16/2014 185,176 ⁽²⁾ D Α (1) 25.76 Common $1,664 \stackrel{(3)}{=}$ Ι **Spouse**

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LYNCH ROBERT P								
P.O. BOX 3668	X							
MOULTRIE, GA 31776								

Signatures

Robert P. Lynch, by Cara P. Monfort,
Attorney-In-Fact

**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) Stock grant pursuant to the Ameris Bancorp 2014 Omnibus Equity Compensation Plan.
- (2) This total includes 871.3967 shares acquired by the Reporting Person as stock dividends or from participating in an employee stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan.
- (3) This total includes 7 shares acquired by the Reporting Person as stock dividends.

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