

MERCANTILE BANK CORP
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 SULLIVAN THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MERCANTILE BANK CORP
 [MBWM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/17/2015

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD 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

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 08/17/2015 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 3,000 D | \$ 20.37 | I | by IRA |
| Common Stock | | | | | 22,688 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 56,824.417 | I | by 401K ⁽²⁾ |

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) | 8. P... Der... Sec... (Ins... | |
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| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 22.8662 | | | | | 06/01/2014 | 11/28/2015 | Common Stock | \$ 1,653 |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 22 | | | | | 06/01/2014 | 11/27/2016 | Common Stock | \$ 1,575 |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 16 | | | | | 06/01/2014 | 12/03/2017 | Common Stock | \$ 7,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy) | \$ 7.8 | | | | | 06/01/2014 | 11/24/2018 | Common Stock | \$ 7,000 |

