

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 \*  
 STONE SAMUEL G

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/13/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Executive Vice President

C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD ST.

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock	11/13/2014		A		3,500	A	\$ 0 5,500	D	
Common Stock							3,745	I	by Trust
Common Stock							29,386 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	by 401K

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14	11/13/2014		A		1,000		11/13/2016	11/12/2021	Common Stock	1,000
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 24.4639							06/01/2014	11/22/2014	Common Stock	1,447
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 22.8662							06/01/2014	11/28/2015	Common Stock	1,378
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 22							06/01/2014	11/27/2016	Common Stock	1,312
Employee Stock Option (Common Stock - right to buy)	\$ 16							06/01/2014	12/03/2017	Common Stock	4,500

Stock -  
right to  
buy)

Employee

Stock

Option

(Common \$ 7.8

06/01/2014 11/24/2018

Common  
Stock 4,500

Stock -  
right to  
buy)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STONE SAMUEL G C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD ST. GRAND RAPIDS,, MI 49504			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

/s/ Bradley J. Wyatt, as  
attorney-in-fact

11/17/2014

\_\_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) Includes shares Mr. Stone acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) Plan since his last report of common stock ownership.

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