

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 Cozzone Robert D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
 [INDB]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O INDEPENDENT BANK  
 CORP., 288 UNION STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 08/31/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 CFO and Treasurer

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

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

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	08/31/2016		M	A	\$ 1,250	22,322.5263	D
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S	D	\$ 1,250	21,072.5263	D

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
NQ Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 32.995	08/31/2016		M	1,250	02/15/2012 <sup>(2)</sup> 02/15/2017	Common Stock	1,250

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cozzone Robert D C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP. 288 UNION STREET ROCKLAND, MA 02370			CFO and Treasurer	

**Signatures**

/s/ Sarah E. Hutchings, Power of Attorney for Robert D. Cozzone 09/01/2016

\*\*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) Total Holdings include 2,626.1963 shares held in Filer's 401(k) account
- (2) Granted under the Independent Bank Corp. 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan (2005 Plan). Options vest in equal installments of 800 shares over a five-year period beginning on 2/15/08 and thereafter on each successive anniversary date (2/15/09-2/15/12), subject to the earlier termination of employment or acceleration of vesting schedule under certain termination of employee circumstances.

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