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# Section 1: 4 (FORM 4)

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

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting F<br>GLEASON LINDA D | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK] |  |                                     |        |   |                  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director 10% Owner   |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| (Last) (First)<br>17901 CHENAL PARKWAY                | P.O. BOX 881  | 1 3. Date of Earli<br>08/16/2012                         | est Transa                          | iction | (Month/Da   | ay/Yea           | r)   | Officer (give title below) Other (specify below  |  |   |  |  |  |
| (Street)<br>LITTLE ROCK, AR 7223                      | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                               |  |                                     |        |   |                  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Lin<br>_X_Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |   |  |  |  |
| (City) (State)  | (Zip)   |  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities |        |   |                  | rities Acqu  | ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |   |  |  |  |
| 1.Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)                     | Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)  | A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>my<br>Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8)                          |        | 4. Securities Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |                  |  | 5. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned Following<br>Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |  |  |  |
|   |   | . ,  | Code                                | v      | Amount  | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price  |  | or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4)       | *   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock  | 08/16/2012  | Â  | S                                   | Â      | 27,000  | D                | \$32.283   | 3,905,692  | I                                      | Spouse's<br>Dir/Indir<br>Ownership                  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock  | 08/17/2012  | Â  | S                                   | Â      | 25,000  | D                | \$32.217   | 3,880,692  | Ι                                      | Spouse's<br>Dir/Indir<br>Ownership                  |  |  |  |
| Common Stock  | Â   | Â  | Â                                   | Â      | Â   | Â                | Â  | 78,816   | D                                      | Â   |  |  |  |

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 |
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| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction   | 3A. Deemed         | 4.         |      | 5.     |          | 6. Date Exer | cisable       | 7. Tit  | le and  | 8. Price of | 9. Number of   | 10.         | 11. Nature  |
| Derivative  | Conversion  | Date             | Execution Date, if | Transacti  | on   | Num    | ber      | and Expirati | on Date       | Amo     | unt of  | Derivative  | Derivative     | Ownership   | of Indirect |
| Security    | or Exercise | (Month/Day/Year) | any                | Code       |      | of     |          | (Month/Day   | /Year)        | Unde    | rlying  | Security    | Securities     | Form of     | Beneficial  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                  | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8) |      | Deriv  | vative   |              |               | Secu    | rities  | (Instr. 5)  | Beneficially   | Derivative  | Ownership   |
|             | Derivative  |                  |                    |            |      | Secu   | rities   |              |               | (Instr  | : 3 and |             | Owned          | Security:   | (Instr. 4)  |
|             | Security    |                  |                    |            |      | Acqu   | ired     |              |               | 4)      |         |             | Following      | Direct (D)  |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      | (A) o  | r        |              |               |         |         |             | Reported       | or Indirect |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      | Dispo  | osed     |              |               |         |         |             | Transaction(s) | (I)         |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      | of (D  | )        |              |               |         |         |             | (Instr. 4)     | (Instr. 4)  |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      | (Instr | : 3,     |              |               |         |         |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      | 4, and | d 5)     |              |               |         |         |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      |        |          |              |               |         | Amount  |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      |        |          | <b>D</b> .   | <b>.</b>      |         | or      |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      |        |          |              | Expiration    | Title   | Number  |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    |            |      |        |          | Exercisable  | Date          |         | of      |             |                |             |             |
|             |             |                  |                    | Code       | V    | (A)    | (D)      |              |               |         | Shares  |             |                |             |             |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

 $\hat{A}$  Director  $\hat{A}$  10% Owner  $\hat{A}$  Officer  $\hat{A}$  Other

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| GLEASON LINDA D<br>17901 CHENAL PARKWAY<br>P.O. BOX 8811<br>LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811 | X | Â | Â | Â |
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## Signatures

/s/ Linda D. Gleason by Donna Quandt, POA

Signature of Reporting Person

 08/16/2012 Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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