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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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(Print or Type Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting ROSS MARK D		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BANK OF THE OZARKS INC [OZRK]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
17901 CHENAL PARKWA	3. Date of Earli 10/22/2012	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/22/2012				X_Officer (give title below)Other (specify below) Vice Chairman & COO				
(Street) LITTLE ROCK, AR 722	4. If Amendme	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X_Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State)	(Zip)		Table I	- Non	-Derivative	e Secui	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		, ,	Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(many and 1)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/22/2012	Â	F	Â	1,071 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$32.69	100,781	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	49,643	I	Shares held in 401(k) at 10/22/2012
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	89,998	Ι	Shares held by Wife
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	290,400	I	Shares held by Holt Ross Children's Trust #5

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 Conversion Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction Date Security Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 4. Security Or Exercise (Mont	
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Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and Owned Secur	y: (Instr. 4)
Security Acquired 4) Following Direct	D)
(A) or Reported or Ind	ect
Disposed Transaction(s) (I)	
of (D) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)	.)
(Instr. 3,	
4, and 5)	
Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount	
Exercisable Date or	
Number	

l	of		
	Shares		

Reporting Owners

Bonouting Owner Name / Adduses	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
ROSS MARK D 17901 CHENAL PARKWAY P.O. BOX 8811 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811	ÂX	Â	Vice Chairman & COO	Â	

Signatures

/s/ Mark D. Ross	10/23/2012
**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) As permitted under the Company's Restricted Stock Plan, these shares were withheld upon vesting in order to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

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