FORM 3

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Washington, D.C. 20429

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name of Reporting Person (Last, First, Middle)*			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol						
East, Robert C.			06-26-2017	Bank of the Ozarks (OZRK)						
Street Address			IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity	Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable) Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable) Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
17901 Chenal Parkway			(Voluntary)	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (Specify below) 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Box)						
City State ZIP Code				Form filed by One Reporting Person						
Little Rock	AR	72223		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)						
Common Stock			133,178	D						
Common Stock			1,400	I Shares held by Spouse						

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., plus, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Securities: Direct (D) or Indirect	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/16/2008	04/16/2018	Common Stock	4,000	\$6.481	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/22/2009	04/22/2019	Common Stock	4,000	\$6.168	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/21/2010	04/21/2020	Common Stock	4,000	\$9.528	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/20/2011	04/21/2021	Common Stock	4,000	\$11.208	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/18/2012	04/18/2022	Common Stock	2,000	\$15.178	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	04/16/2013	04/16/2023	Common Stock	4,000	\$20.125	D	
Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/20/2014	05/20/2024	Common Stock	4,000	\$29.048	D	
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/s/ Robert C. East	06/26/2017		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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