

SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC
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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 *
 Little Pamela A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

SANDY SPRING BANCORP,
 INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE

(Street)

OLNEY, MD 20832

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC
 [SASR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/04/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/04/2008		P	A	\$ 1,000	D	
Common Stock					2,846	I	By Ira
Common Stock					1,900	I	By Stock Award ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock					215	I	Restricted Stock Award ⁽²⁾
Common Stock					280	I	

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.13					12/14/2005 ⁽³⁾ 12/14/2012	Common Stock	788
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4					12/13/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 12/13/2013	Common Stock	1,251
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.96					03/26/2009 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/26/2015	Common Stock	1,260

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Little Pamela A SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832	X			

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Ms.
Little

08/06/2008

__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) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Sandy Spring Bancorp, Inc. 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in five annual installments commencing on December 13, 2007.
- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in five equal, annual installments beginning on March 26, 2009.
- (3) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.
- (4) Stock options granted under the 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vest in equal annual increments on the first, second, and third anniversary of the grant.

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