

Zember Dennis J JR
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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 *
 Zember Dennis J JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Ameris Bancorp [ABCB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 PO BOX 3668

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2019

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

(Street)

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

MOULTRIE, GA 31776

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2019 | | F(1) | 1,207 D \$ 39.69 | 214,366 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/28/2019 | | F(2) | 2,310 D \$ 40.62 | 212,056 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 2,076 | I | Children |

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Zember Dennis J JR PO BOX 3668 MOULTRIE, GA 31776 | X | | CEO | |

Signatures

Dennis J. Zember, Jr by: Cindi H. Lewis
Attorney-in-Fact
03/01/2019

__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) This transaction represents the withholding of 1,207 shares of common stock to satisfy the tax withholding obligations incurred by the reporting person upon the vesting on February 16, 2019 of 4,743 shares of common stock originally awarded on February 16, 2016.
- (2) This transaction represents the withholding of 2,310 shares of common stock to satisfy the tax withholding obligations incurred by the reporting person upon the vesting on February 19, 2019 of 4,742 shares of common stock originally awarded on February 19, 2016 and in respect of the receipt of 4,472 shares of common stock originally awarded on February 19, 2019.

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