BANNER CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SIRMON GARY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

BANNER CORP [BANR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

09/15/2005

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

10 SOUTH FIRST AVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Chairman of the Board 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	09/15/2005		Code V S(1)	Amount	(D)	Price \$ 27.3701	240,125 (2)	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	09/16/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 27.36	240,025 (2)	D	
Common Stock,	09/19/2005		S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 27.08	239,925 (2)	D	

\$.01 par value per share

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Titl		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	, ,	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Secur		(Instr. 5)	Bene
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting 6 wher runne / runness	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SIRMON GARY 10 SOUTH FIRST AVE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362	X			Chairman of the Board			

Signatures

/s/Gary Sirmon 09/19/2005 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Sale pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan dated 7/15/05.
- Includes direct ownership of 1,756 shares through IRA, 114,452 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan, 11,641 shares through Employee Stock Ownership Plan and 3,300 shares through Profit Sharing Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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