

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
 Form 4  
 April 27, 2005

**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
 Washington, D.C. 20549

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
 Expires: January 31, 2005  
 Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 CLARK W PAUL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 INDEPENDENT BANK CORP  
 [INDB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 04/26/2005

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

C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP, 288 UNION STREET

(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

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

(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)             |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 104,949.435   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 12,729.14   | I  | by spouse                                     |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 44,752.041 <sup>(1)</sup>   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Price  | 2,410   | I  | W. Paul Clark Trust<br>A. Filer is co-trustee |

|                 |       |   |  |
|-----------------|-------|---|--|
| Common<br>Stock | 2,146 | I | of Trust<br>by W. Paul<br>Clark Trust<br>B. Filer is<br>co-trustee<br>of Trust |
|-----------------|-------|---|--|

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

**Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.**

SEC 1474  
(9-02)

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount<br>Underlying Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 27.16   | 04/26/2005                              |   | A                                    | 1,000   | 10/26/2005<br>04/25/2015                                       | Common<br>Stock  | 1,000                                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |              |         |       |
|---|---------------|--------------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10%<br>Owner | Officer | Other |
| CLARK W PAUL<br>C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP<br>288 UNION STREET<br>ROCKLAND, MA 02370 | X             |              |         |       |

## Signatures

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Linda M. Campion, Power of Attorney for W. Paul<br>Clark | 04/27/2005 |
|--|------------|

\*\*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) Shrs. held i/n/o Corporation; Filer owns 100% of stock of the Corporation.

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

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.