

BANNER CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**WAGERS GARY W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**10 SOUTH 1ST AVENUE**  
  
(Street)

**WALLA WALLA, WA 99362**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BANNER CORP [BANR]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**04/01/2017**

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)  
**Executive VP, Banner Bank**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/01/2017		F		110 <sup>(1)</sup> D \$ 55.955 <sub>(2)</sub>	18,345 <sup>(3)</sup>	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/03/2017		A		1,021 <sub>(4)</sub> A \$ 54.983 <sub>(5)</sub>	19,366 <sup>(3)</sup>	D
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	04/03/2017		A		1,531 <sub>(6)</sub> A \$ 54.983 <sub>(5)</sub>	20,897 <sup>(3)</sup>	D



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- (6) Represents award pursuant to 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan and is subject to the achievement of specified corporate and individual performance goals over a period that began on January 1, 2017 and ends on December 31, 2019. The extent to which the award vests, if at all, depends on the extent to which the performance goals are satisfied. These shares are subject to forfeiture and to limits on transferability until they vest.

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