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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rust Steven W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol BANNER CORP [BANR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

10 SOUTH 1ST AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2018

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Executive Vice President

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

(State)

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		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
					Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
				(A)	Reported	(I)	
				(A)	Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
			Code V	or Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common			Code v	Amount (D) Thee			

Common

Stock, 08/15/2018 A 4.7511 A 10,324 (2) D \$.01 par value per

share (1)

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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rust Steven W 10 SOUTH 1ST AVENUE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

Executive Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Steven W. 08/17/2018 Rust

**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) Acquired pursuant to dividend reinvestment through deferred compensation plan; settled in stock at termination of service.
- (2) Includes direct ownership of 386 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan and 258 shares through 401(k) Plan.

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