

HASTINGS JAY SCOTT

Form 4

October 20, 2010

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HASTINGS JAY SCOTT

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BANK OF THE OZARKS INC
[OZRK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
17901 CHENAL PARKWAY, P.O.
BOX 8811

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/18/2010

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
President Leasing Division

(Street)
LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	10/18/2010		M		1,300	A	\$ 31.04 3,016
Common Stock	10/18/2010		S		1,300	D	\$ 37.784 1,716
Common Stock							1,146
							I
							Shares held in 401(k) at 10/18/2010

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.04	10/18/2010		M	1,300	10/16/2010 10/16/2014	Common Stock 1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
HASTINGS JAY SCOTT 17901 CHENAL PARKWAY P.O. BOX 8811 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811	President Leasing Division

Signatures

/s/ Jay Scott
Hastings

10/20/2010

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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