### Edgar Filing: Burrus John E - Form 4

| Burrus John E<br>Form 4   |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
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| September 04, 2009  |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| FORM 4 UNITED STATES  | SECURITIES AND  | FXCHANGE (                              | OMMISSION           | OMB APPROVAL                                     |   |  |  |
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| subject to STATEMENT O<br>Section 16.   | STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF<br>SECURITIES |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| Form 4 or   | Form 4 or   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| abligations   | Section 16(a) of the Sec<br>Public Utility Holding            |   | · · ·               | <b>,</b>   |   |  |  |
| may continue.   | of the Investment Con   | · ·                                     |                     | 1  |   |  |  |
| 1(b).   |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| (Print or Type Responses)   |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *   | 2. Issuer Name and Tick                                       | er or Trading                           | 5. Relationship of  | Reporting Pe                                     | rson(s) to                                |  |  |
| Burrus John E   | Issuer  | Issuer                                  |                     |  |   |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)   | ESSA Bancorp, Inc. [<br>3. Date of Earliest Transac           | (Check                                  | k all applicab      | le)  |   |  |  |
| (Month/Day/Year)  |   |   | XDirector           | % Owner  |   |  |  |
| 200 PALMER STREET   | 09/03/2009  |   | below)              | itleXOther (specify<br>below)<br>an of the Board |   |  |  |
| (Street)  | 4. If Amendment, Date Or                                      | iginal                                  | 6. Individual or Jo |  |   |  |  |
| Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)  |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| STROUDSBURG, PA 18360 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |                     |  |   |  |  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  | Table I - Non-Deriva  | tive Securities Acc                     | uired, Disposed of  | , or Beneficia                                   | ally Owned                                |  |  |
| 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deer  |   | curities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D) |                     | 5.   | 7. Nature of                              |  |  |
| Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution<br>(Instr. 3) any   | Beneficially I  | Ownership Ine<br>Form: Direct Be        |                     |  |   |  |  |
| (Month/I  | Day/Year) (Instr. 8)  |   |                     | (D) or<br>Indirect (I)                           | Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)                   |  |  |
|   |   | (A)                                     |                     | (Instr. 4)                                       |   |  |  |
| -   | Code V Amo  | or                                      | (Instr. 3 and 4)    |  |   |  |  |
| Common 09/03/2009<br>Stock  | S 875   | D \$12.3                                | 25,431 <u>(1)</u>   | D  |   |  |  |
| Common 09/03/2009<br>Stock  | S 475   | D \$<br>12.45                           | 24,956 <u>(1)</u>   | D  |   |  |  |
| Common 09/03/2009<br>Stock  | S 100   | D \$12.5                                | 24,856 <u>(1)</u>   | D  |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock   |   |   | 60 1                | ſ  | As<br>custodian<br>for<br>grandchild<br>1 |  |  |

| Common<br>Stock | 60    | I | As<br>custodian<br>for<br>grandchild<br>2 |
|-----------------|-------|---|---|
| Common<br>Stock | 60    | I | As<br>custodian<br>for<br>grandchild<br>3 |
| Common<br>Stock | 5,580 | Ι | By IRA                                    |
| Common<br>Stock | 3,540 | Ι | By spouse's<br>IRA                        |
|                 |       |   |   |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>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.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>onNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year)<br>tive<br>ties<br>ed<br>ed<br>8, |                    | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     | 8. Pri<br>Deriv<br>Secun<br>(Instr |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable                                | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |                                    |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 12.35  |   |   |  |   | 05/23/2009   | 05/23/2018         | Common<br>Stock                        | 54,127<br>(2)                       |                                    |

## **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |           |         |                       |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------|--|--|
|                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                 |  |  |
| Burrus John E                  | Х             |           |         | Chairman of the Board |  |  |
| 200 PALMER STREET              |               |           |         |                       |  |  |

#### STROUDSBURG, PA 18360

### Signatures

/s/ Marc P. Levy, Pursuant to Power of Attorney

09/04/2009

<u>\*\*</u>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) Includes shares of restricted stock that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.
- (2) Reflects stock options that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.

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