MERCANTILE BANK CORP

Form 4

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(Print or Type l	Responses)											
Worthington Robert T. Symb				Name and			g	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	MERCA [MBWM	NTILE B []	SANK CO	ORP		(Check all applicable)						
(Last)	(Last) (First) (Middle) 3				nsaction			Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify				
	ANTILE BANI TION, 310 LEC		11/17/20	•				below) SENIOR V.P	below) ., GENERAL C	COUNSEL		
				dment, Date Original h/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				
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1.Title of	2. Transaction D			3.			ties Ac	quired, Disposed of 5. Amount of	6. Ownership			
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Yea	ar) Executi any	Execution Date, if		3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	11/17/2016			A	2,500	A	\$0	5,500	D			
Common Stock								14,760.816 (1)	I	In 401(k) plan		
Reminder: Rep	oort on a separate li	ne for each c	lass of secur	ities benefic	•		•	·				
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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number one f 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)	\$ 36.22	11/17/2016		A	500	11/17/2018	11/16/2023	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Worthington Robert T. C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD ST. GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

SENIOR V.P., GENERAL COUNSEL

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Signatures

/s/ Bradley J. Wyatt, Attorney-in-Fact

**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 acquired pursuant to the issuer's 401(k) Plan since last report of common stock ownership.

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