

Cherry James C.  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Cherry James C.</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O PARK STERLING BANK, 1043 EAST MOREHEAD STREET, SUITE 201</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>CHARLOTTE, NC 28204</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>11/30/2017</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>SOUTH STATE Corp [SSB]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
COMMON STOCK	24,696 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	À
COMMON STOCK	3,782 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	À
COMMON STOCK	10,784 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	IRA FBO Self-Roth

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <small>(Month/Day/Year)</small>	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cherry James C. C/O PARK STERLING BANK 1043 EAST MOREHEAD STREET, SUITE 201 CHARLOTTE, NC 28204	X			

## Signatures

JAMES C.  
CHERRY

12/04/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- Shares received pursuant to an Agreement and Plan of Merger ("merger agreement"), entered into by South State Corporation and Park Sterling Corporation. Per the "merger agreement", each share of Park Sterling common stock is converted into the right to receive 0.14 shares of South State common stock (which we refer to as the "merger consideration").
- (1) Sterling Corporation. Per the "merger agreement", each share of Park Sterling common stock is converted into the right to receive 0.14 shares of South State common stock (which we refer to as the "merger consideration").
  - (2) Net shares received from Restricted Stock Agreement after repurchase for tax withholding. The shares vested at close of merger. Share received pursuant to "merger agreement".
  - (3) Shares received pursuant to "merger agreement".

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