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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading McKnight Gary C Issuer Symbol CULLEN/FROST BANKERS, INC. (Check all applicable) [CFR] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 100 WEST HOUSTON STREET 01/26/2018 Group Executive Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205

| (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) | (A) or | | 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) | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 01/26/2018 | | M | 12,000 | ` , | \$ 52.44 | 12,844 | D | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 01/26/2018 | | M | 12,000 | A | \$ 50.64 | 24,844 | D | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 01/26/2018 | | S | 21,900 | D | \$ 106.25 (1) | 2,944 | D | | | |

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| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | 01/26/2018 | S | 2,100 | D | \$ 107.04 (2) | 844 | D | |
|---|------------|---|-------|---|---------------------|-------|---|---------------------------|
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | | | | | | 1,315 | I | Through 401(k) Plan |

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 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 orDerivative 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) | \$ 52.44 | 01/26/2018 | | M | 12,000 | 10/21/2012 | 10/21/2018 | Common Stock | 12,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 50.64 | 01/26/2018 | | M | 12,000 | 10/20/2013 | 10/20/2019 | Common Stock | 12,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| rg | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| McKnight Gary C 100 WEST HOUSTON STREET SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205 | | | Group Executive Vice President | | | | | |

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Signatures

/s/ Gary C. 01/30/2018 McKnight

**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).
- The price in Column 4 is based on a weighted average price. The prices actually paid range from \$105.78 to \$106.71. The reporting (1) person will provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the SEC staff, upon request, information regarding the number of shares sold at each price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) of this Form.
- (2) The price in Column 4 is based on a weighted average price. The prices actually paid range from \$106.95 to \$107.11.

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