

SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Sadowski John D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC  
 [SASR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/16/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, Chief Information Officer

SANDY SPRING BANCORP,  
 INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE

(Street)

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

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

OLNEY, MD 20832

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	03/16/2016		A		2,581	A	\$ 0 2,581 D <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock					4,594		D
Common Stock					561		D <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					1,325		D <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock					2,520		D <sup>(4)</sup>

Common Stock	2,738	D <u>(5)</u>
Common Stock	3,380	D <u>(6)</u>

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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sadowski John D SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832			EVP, Chief Information Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Ronald E. Kuykendall,  
attorney-in-fact

03/18/2016

\_\_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) Restricted stock awarded under 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in equal installments annually for five years beginning April 1, 2017.

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- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 30, 2012.
- (3) Restricted stock award under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 28, 2013.
- (4) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2014.
- (5) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2015.
- (6) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2016.

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