#### HOPE BANCORP INC

Form 5

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## FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 4

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Ac Whang Scott	•	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol HOPE BANCORP INC [HOPE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended	(Check all applicable)			
( /			(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2016	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			
3200 WILSH	IIRE BLVD	o., SUITE		below) below)			
1400							
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting			
				(check applicable line)			

### LOS ANGELES, CAÂ 90010

(State)

(City)

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(City)	(State)	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. Securi Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D	))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/18/2014(1)	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	7,200	D	\$0	56,902	D	Â
Common Stock	12/18/2014 <u>(1)</u>	Â	G <u>(1)</u>	7,200	A	\$0	7,200	I (2)	By wife as UGMA custodian for grandchildren
Common Stock	12/18/2014(3)	Â	G(3)	7,200	D	\$0	49,702	D	Â

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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)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Whang Scott Yoon-suk
3200 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1400 Â X Â Â

LOS ANGELES. CAÂ 90010

## **Signatures**

/s/ Claire Hur as attorney-in-fact for Scott Yoon-Suk Whang 02/14/2017

\*\*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).

Transfer from the Scott Whang & Lydia Whang Trust Under Agreement 07/19/2001 S&O Revocable Trust to reporting person's wife as custodian for three of six grandchildren under Uniform Gifts to Minors Act. On 12/28/2016 reporting person gifted to three of six

(1) grandchildren common stock in the amount of 650 shares each. On 12/31/2015, reporting person gifted to three of six grandchildren common stock in the amount of 750 shares each. On 12/18/2014 reporting person gifted to three of six grandchildren common stock in the amount of 1,000 shares each. The reporting person inadvertently failed to file Form 5s for 2014 and 2015.

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- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his grandchildren, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose.
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