

MERCANTILE BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**CHRISTMAS CHARLES E**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION, 310 LEONARD ST.

(Street)

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**MERCANTILE BANK CORP [MBWM]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/11/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**SENIOR V.P. AND CFO**

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	11/14/2014		L	V 40 A \$ 20.27	340	I	By spouse
Common Stock					21,544	D	
Common Stock					29,376	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock					1,422	I	401(k) Plan for spouse

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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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...
						Date Exercisable      Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.14					11/13/2016      11/12/2021	Common Stock	1,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.8662					06/01/2014      11/28/2015	Common Stock	1,378
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22					06/01/2014      11/27/2016	Common Stock	1,312
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16					06/01/2014      12/03/2017	Common Stock	4,500
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.8					06/01/2014      11/24/2018	Common Stock	4,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHRISTMAS CHARLES E C/O MERCANTILE BANK CORPORATION 310 LEONARD ST. GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504			SENIOR V.P. AND CFO	

## Signatures

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

11/24/2014

\_\_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).

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