Benett Halle J. Form 4 July 18, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Benett Halle J.

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

(Check all applicable)

[BANC] (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/14/2017

Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

C/O BANC OF CALIFORNIA. INC., 3 MACARTHUR PLACE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

SANTA ANA, CA 92707

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

\$0

Stock

Common

07/14/2017

 $A^{(1)}$ 4,988 (1)

26,510.3499 D

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)

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8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 10.9						(2)	07/01/2024	Common Stock	918
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Stock Option	\$ 13.75						(2)	07/01/2025	Common Stock	2,808
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Benett Halle J. C/O BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC. 3 MACARTHUR PLACE SANTA ANA, CA 92707

Signatures

/s/ Albert Wang, Attorney-in-Fact 07/18/2017

**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).
- (1) Represents restricted stock units issued to the Reporting Person as consideration for his service on the Issuer's Board of Directors. The awards will automatically vest in full on July 1, 2018, subject to earlier vesting if certain conditions are met.
- Options will vest annually in equal installments over a five year period beginning on the one year anniversary of the grant date. In accordance with the Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement, by and between the Reporting Person and the Issuer, dated July 1, 2014 (the "Option Agreement"), in the event the Reporting Person is subject to a Qualified Termination of Service (as defined in the Option Agreement), this award will automatically become fully vested.

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Reporting Owners 2

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