

CHENG DUNSON K  
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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 \*  
CHENG DUNSON K

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP  
[CATY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
777 NORTH BROADWAY  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/27/2018

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

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
Common Stock					445,577	I	Husband & Wife Trust
Common Stock					182,452	I	Nonmarital Share Trust
Common Stock					102,904	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	03/27/2018		M	1,298 A	\$ 0 112,472	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2018		F(1)	644 D	\$ 39.51 111,828	D	

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/27/2018		M	1,298	03/27/2018 (3)	Common Stock	1,298

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHENG DUNSON K 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90012	X		Executive Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ Georgia Lo,  
attorney-in-fact

03/29/2018

\*\*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) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy tax withholding requirement on vesting of restricted stock units.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock upon vesting.

(3) Reporting Person was granted 3,893 restricted stock units on March 27, 2017, with a vesting schedule of 3 annual equal installments beginning March 27, 2018, or earlier in the event of death, disability, retirement, or change in control.

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