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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D/A

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 1)*

Banner Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

06652V208

(CUSIP Number)

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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SCHEDULE 13D

1	NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Capital Partners III, L.P.
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) (b)
3	SEC USE ONLY
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS OO
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)
6	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware
	SOLE VOTING POWER 7
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	0 SHARED VOTING POWER 8 994,493 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
WITH	

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

10

994,493

AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY

11 EACH PERSON

994,493

CHECK BOX IF THE

AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW

(11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS

REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN

13 ROW (11)

2.9%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

14 PN

2

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SCHEDULE 13D

NAMES OF REPORTING **PERSONS** 1 Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Parallel Fund III, L.P. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 OO CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 5 2(d) or 2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 6 Delaware NUMBER OF **SOLE VOTING POWER SHARES** 7 BENEFICIALLY 0 OWNED BY **EACH** SHARED VOTING POWER 8 REPORTING **PERSON** 659,035 **WITH** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 9 0

10SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

659,035

11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
	659,035
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
	1.9%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
	PN
3	

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SCHEDULE 13D

NAMES OF REPORTING **PERSONS** 1 FFL Individual Partners III, L.P.

> CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2

(a) (b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

SOURCE OF FUNDS

4

6

OO

CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL PROCEEDING IS

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 5

2(d) or 2(e)

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF **SOLE VOTING POWER**

SHARES BENEFICIALLY 0 OWNED BY

SHARED VOTING POWER **EACH**

8 REPORTING

21,067

PERSON WITH

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

10SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

21,067

	21,007
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
	21,067
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
	PERCENT OF CLASS
13	REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
	0.1%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
	PN
4	

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NAMES OF REPORTING

PERSONS

1

FFL Executive Partners III, L.P.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

2

(a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

SOURCE OF FUNDS

4

OO

CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL PROCEEDING IS

5 REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS

2(d) or 2(e)

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

6 ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER OF SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 7 BENEFICIALLY 0

OWNED BY

EACH SHARED VOTING POWER

REPORTING 8

19,393

PERSON WITH

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

9

10SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

19,393

11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON 19,393
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 0.1%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON PN
5	

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Delaware

NUMBER OF SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 7 BENEFICIALLY 0 OWNED BY

EACH SHARED VOTING POWER

REPORTING 8

PERSON 1,693,988

WITH

SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

10SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,693,988

11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
	1,693,988
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
	5.0%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
	PN
6	

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10SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

1,693,988

11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH PERSON
	1,693,988
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
	5.0%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON
	OO
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Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D

This Amendment No. 1 amends and supplements the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on October 13, 2015 (the "Schedule 13D"). Except as set forth herein, the Schedule 13D is unmodified and remains in full force and effect. Each capitalized term used but not defined herein has the meaning ascribed to such term in the Schedule 13D.

This Amendment No. 1 amends Item 5 as set forth below.

Item 6. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

Items 5(a) and (c) of the Schedule 13D are hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) In the aggregate, the Reporting Persons beneficially own 1,693,988 shares of Common Stock, constituting approximately 5.0% of the issued and outstanding Common Stock, which consists of 994,493 shares of Common Stock held by Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Capital Partners III, L.P., 659,035 shares of Common Stock held by Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Parallel Fund III, L.P., 21,067 shares of Common Stock held by FFL Individual Partners III, L.P. and 19,393 shares of Common Stock held by FFL Executive Partners III, L.P. The FFL Funds are controlled by Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P., their general partner, which is controlled by Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner.

All ownership percentages of the securities reporting in this Schedule 13D are based upon 33,759,857 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of July 31, 2016, as reported on the Company's Quarterly Report filed on Form 10-Q for the period ending June 30, 2016, as filed with the SEC on August 5, 2016.

(c) Information concerning transactions in the shares of Common Stock effected by the Reporting Persons during the last 60 days from the date hereof is set forth in <u>Annex A</u> hereto and is incorporated herein by reference. All of the transactions in shares of Common Stock listed in <u>Annex A</u> hereto were effected in the open market or through a brokered block trade.

SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: November 7, 2016

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Capital Partners III, L.P.

By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P., its general partner By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Spencer C. Fleischer

Name: Spencer C. Fleischer Title: Managing Member

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Parallel Fund III, L.P.

By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P., its general partner By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Spencer C. Fleischer

Name: Spencer C. Fleischer Title: Managing Member

FFL Individual Partners III, L.P.

By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P., its general partner By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Spencer C. Fleischer

Name: Spencer C. Fleischer Title: Managing Member

FFL Executive Partners III, L.P.

By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P., its general partner By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Spencer C. Fleischer

Name: Spencer C. Fleischer Title: Managing Member

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, L.P.

By: Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC, its general partner

By: <u>/s/ Spencer C. Fleischer</u> Name: Spencer C. Fleischer

Title: Managing Member

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe GP III, LLC

By: <u>/s/ Spencer C. Fleischer</u>

Name: Spencer C. Fleischer Title: Managing Member

ANNEX A

TRANSACTIONS IN THE COMMON STOCK BY THE REPORTING PERSONS

The following tables set forth all transactions in the Common Stock effected by the Reporting Persons in the last 60 days. All prices per share exclude commissions.

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Capital Partners III, L.P.

Price

Date of Sale Total Shares Sold Per How Effected

Share

November 4, 2016 531,301 \$43.24

Block trade

Friedman Fleischer & Lowe Parallel Fund III, L.P.

Price

Date of Sale Total Shares Sold Per How Effected

Share

November 4, 2016 352,084 \$43.24 Block trade

FFL Individual Partners III, L.P.

Price

Date of Sale Total Shares Sold Per How Effected

Share

November 4, 2016 11,255 \$43.24 Block trade

FFL Executive Partners III, L.P.

Price

Date of Sale Total Shares Sold Per How Effected

Share

November 4, 2016 10,360 \$43.24 Block trade