CHENG DUNSON K

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(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) 777 NORTH	(First) BROADWA	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/27/2019	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Chairman		
	(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		
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	(A)	ed of (D)	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			Couc ,	7 Innount	(D)	11100	435,577	I	Husband & Wife Trust
Common Stock							182,452	I	Nonmarital Share Trust
Common Stock							102,904	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	03/27/2019		M	1,298	A	\$ 0	61,628	D	
Common Stock	03/27/2019		F <u>(1)</u>	644	D	\$ 33.67	60,984	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	03/27/2019		M	1,298	03/27/2019	(3)	Common Stock	1,298	

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Georgia Lo, attorney-in-fact

**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 represented a contingent right to receive one share of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- On March 27, 2017, the Issuer awarded 3,893 restricted stock units to the Reporting Person. The restricted stock units vest in three annual installments. The first installment of 1,298 restricted stock units vested on March 27, 2018, the second installment of 1,298 restricted stock units vested on March 27, 2020, or earlier in the event of death, disability, retirement or change in control.

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