BANK OF THE OZARKS INC

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

AREHART JEAN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BANK OF THE OZARKS INC

[OZRK]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

> (Month/Day/Year) 04/16/2008

12615 CHENAL PARKWAY, P.O. **BOX 8811**

(Street)

LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

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(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

2. 1. Title of Derivative Security Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi

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(Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8	() (Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	d d of	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Shar
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.925	04/16/2008		M		1,000		04/16/2008	04/16/2018	Common Stock	1,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
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AREHART JEAN 12615 CHENAL PARKWAY P.O. BOX 8811 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72231-8811	X							
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Signatures

/s/ Jean Arehart 04/16/2008

_**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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