COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC

Form 4 June 26, 2015

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad SEATON EL WHITEHEA	Symbol COLUM	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC [COLB]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 1301 A STRI	` ,	(Month/Da	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/24/2015				Director Officer (give below)		6 Owner er (specify	
TACOMA, V	(Street) WA 98402		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 Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securit	ies Ac	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly 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. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l(A) or l 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	06/24/2015		A	2,000 (1)	A	\$0	4,000	D		

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					4, and 5)	Date	Expiration		Amount		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Date

SEATON ELIZABETH WHITEHEAD 1301 A STREET TACOMA, WA 98402

Signatures

/s/ Cathleen Dent, on behalf of Elizabeth Whitehead
Seaton 06/26/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

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- (1) Restricted Stock Award

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