

Merritt Edward J
Form 4
May 03, 2013

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Merritt Edward J

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MERIDIAN INTERSTATE
BANCORP INC [EBSB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
10 MERIDIAN STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/23/2013

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
EVP

EAST BOSTON, MA 02128

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☐ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	04/23/2013		A		1,000 (2)	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					3,500 (1)	D	
Common Stock					4,893	I	By IRA
Common Stock					241 (5)	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					982 (5)	I	By ESOP

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. 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. D S (I
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Options	\$ 18.28	04/23/2013		A		1,000	04/23/2014 04/23/2023	Common Stock 1,000 (3)
Stock Options	\$ 9.29						01/26/2011 01/26/2020	Common Stock 5,000 (4)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Merritt Edward J 10 MERIDIAN STREET EAST BOSTON, MA 02128	X		EVP	

Signatures

/s/ Lawrence Spaccasi, pursuant to power of
attorney

05/02/2013

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Includes shares of restricted stock that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on January 26, 2011.

(2) Shares of restricted stock vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on April 23, 2014.

(3) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on April 23, 2014.

(4) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on January 26, 2011.

(5) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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