#### CHENG DUNSON K

Form 4

January 03, 2018

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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**SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

01/02/2018

below) **Executive Chairman** 

Issuer

(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

#### LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(Ctata)

777 NORTH BROADWAY

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/02/2018		M(1)	39,554	A	\$0	159,145	D	
Common stock	01/02/2018		F(2)	17,351	D	\$ 42.64	141,794	D	
Common Stock							445,577	I	Husband & Wife Trust
Common Stock							182,452	I	Nonmarital Share Trust
Common Stock							102,904	I	By ESOP

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day			Amount of Securities 4)	8. I De Sec (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/02/2018		M	24,610 (3)	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	24,610	

# **Reporting Owners**

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

### **Signatures**

/s/ Georgia Lo, attorney-in-fact

01/03/2018 Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **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).
- Shares of the Issuer's Common Stock received by the Reporting Person from the vesting of performance-based restricted stock units (1) granted on December 18, 2014. Such restricted stock units were previously reported in Table II on a Form 4 filed by the Reporting Person with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 24, 2014.
- (2) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units.
- Of this previously reported target award of performance-based restricted stock units, 150% of the target award was earned based upon the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- (4) Performance-based restricted stock units vested on December 31, 2017.

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