

HOPE BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Koh Peter

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3200 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 1400
 (Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90010

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 HOPE BANCORP INC [HOPE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/27/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Chief Credit Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock	06/27/2017		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 14,068 A 7.53	61,842	D	
Common Stock (Restricted Stock)					4,250 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.53	06/27/2017		M	14,068	06/27/2015 06/27/2017	Common Stock 14,068
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.95					(2) 09/30/2020	Common Stock 7,034
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.18					(3) 09/01/2026	Common Stock 20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Koh Peter 3200 WILSHIRE BLVD. SUITE 1400 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010			EVP, Chief Credit Officer	

Signatures

/s/Peter Koh 07/06/2017
 **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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4250 represents Restricted Stock granted on 04/08/15 and 03/16/16 which are still outstanding including any accrued dividend to date. These shares will vest in March-April 2018 and 2019 according to previously disclosed vesting schedules.

- (2) Options granted on 09/30/15. Vesting schedule: 25% on 09/30/15, 25% on 09/30/16, 25% on 09/30/17, and 25% on 09/30/18.
- (3) Options granted on September 1, 2016 pursuant to the BBCN Bancorp, Inc. 2016 Incentive Compensation Plan. Options vest annually in five equal installments on September 1st of 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021.

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