

M&T BANK CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**WILMERS ROBERT G**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ONE M&T PLAZA**

(Street)

**BUFFALO, NY 14203-2399**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**M&T BANK CORP [MTB]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/30/2009**

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)  
**Chairman of the Board and CEO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/19/2008		G	V 61,569 D \$ 0 (1)	2,953,234	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2009		A(2)	51,401 (3) A (2) \$ 0 (4)	3,004,635	D	
Common Stock					44,441	I	By 401 (k) Plan (5)
Common Stock					214,540	I	GRAT #5 (6)
Common Stock					224,766	I	GRAT #6 (6)

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Common Stock						400,000	I	See footnote <u>(7)</u>
Common Stock						78,532	I	See footnote <u>(8)</u>
Common Stock	11/26/2008		G V	10,424	D	<u>(1)</u> 155,955	I	See footnote <u>(9)</u>
Common Stock	09/19/2008		G V	20,523	A	<u>(10)</u> 188,813	I	See footnote <u>(11)</u>
Common Stock	09/19/2008		G V	20,523	A	<u>(10)</u> 119,730	I	See footnote <u>(12)</u>

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
Phantom Common Stock Units	<u>(13)</u>					<u>(13)</u>	<u>(13)</u>	Common Stock	<u>(13)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
	X		Chairman of the Board and CEO	

WILMERS ROBERT G  
ONE M&T PLAZA  
BUFFALO, NY 14203-2399

## Signatures

By: Brian R. Yoshida, Esq.  
(Attorney-In-Fact)

02/03/2009

\_\_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).
- (1) The reported transaction involves a transfer of securities by gift for which no payment of consideration was received by the reporting person.
- The reported transaction involves an award of restricted stock units under the M&T Bank Corporation 2005 Incentive Compensation Plan. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of M&T Bank Corporation common stock upon vesting.
- (2) The restricted stock unit award includes a total of 51,401 shares. 5,140 shares of the restricted stock unit award will vest on January 30, 2010; an additional 10,280 shares will vest on January 30, 2011; an additional 15,420 shares will vest on January 30, 2012; and the remaining 20,561 shares will vest on January 30, 2013.
- (3) The restricted stock award was granted under an incentive compensation plan maintained by M&T Bank Corporation, and therefore the reporting person paid no price for the shares.
- (4) The information presented is as of January 5, 2009.
- (5) The indicated shares are held by Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts No's. 5 and 6, respectively, under indentures dated July 23, 1993 (individually, a "GRAT" and collectively, the "GRATs"). The reporting person is a trustee of each GRAT and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by the GRATs.
- (6) The indicated shares are held by a limited liability company of which the reporting person is the sole member.
- The indicated shares are held by the Roche Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is the sole director and president of the Roche Foundation and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (7) The indicated shares are held by the West Ferry Foundation, a charitable trust in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is the trustee of the West Ferry Foundation and holds sole voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (8) The reported transaction involves a transfer of securities by gift for which no consideration was paid.
- The indicated shares are held by the St. Simon Charitable Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is a director and President of the St. Simon Charitable Foundation and holds voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (9) The indicated shares are held by the Interlaken Foundation, a Delaware not-for-profit, non-stock corporation in which the reporting person has no pecuniary interest. The reporting person is a director and President of the Interlaken Foundation and holds voting and dispositive power over the shares held by it.
- (10) The reported phantom common stock units are held by the reporting person in an excess benefit plan account maintained by M&T Bank Corporation and represent a like number of shares of M&T Bank Corporation common stock. The phantom common stock units may only be settled in cash upon distribution in accordance with the terms of the plan. The reported phantom common stock units also include units acquired through the dividend reinvestment feature of the plan.
- (11)

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