

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP /MI/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MCCARTY JAMES E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
INDEPENDENT BANK CORP /MI/  
[IBCP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/31/2006

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

6641 CENTERLINE RD.

(Street)

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

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

SARANAC, MI 48881

(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 or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	01/31/2006		A	V	30.96 <u>(1)</u> 27.44	A	4,532.07 D
Common Stock	01/31/2006		A	V	6.69 <u>(1)</u> 27.44	A	971.5 I By Corporation
Common Stock	01/31/2006		A	V	15.31 <u>(1)</u> 27.44	A	2,224.22 I By Trust
Common Stock	01/31/2006		A	V	35.48 <u>(1)</u> 27.44	A	5,153.58 I By Trust (Spouse)

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. P... Deri... Secu... (Ins...			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	01/31/2006		A	V	35.03		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	35.03
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	03/31/2006		A		105.44		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	105.44

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCCARTY JAMES E 6641 CENTERLINE RD. SARANAC, MI 48881		X		

## Signatures

By: s/Michael J. Steele,  
Attorney-in-Fact

04/04/2006

\*\*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) Shares were acquired under the Independent Bank Corporation dividend reinvestment plan.

(2) The Phantom Stock Units were accrued under the Independent Bank Corporation Deferred Compensation and Stock Purchase Plan for Non-Employee Directors and are to be settled in Independent Bank Corporation Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement.

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