MERCANTILE BANK CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

(State)

02/25/2009

(Middle)

(Zip)

CLARK EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MERCANTILE BANK CORP

[MBWM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

401 AMERICAN SEATING

CENTER

(Last)

(City)

Common

stock

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

P 800

26,053

D

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Ye Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	nount umber uares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CLARK EDWARD J

401 AMERICAN SEATING CENTER X

GRAND RAPIDS, MI 49504

Signatures

/s/ Jerome M. Schwartz
Attorney-in-fact
02/25/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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