## CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Form 5

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to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.		NNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES					
See Instruction 1(b). Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported Form 4 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Transactions Reported							
ame and Address NG IRWIN	of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATHAN CENERAL BANCORD	5. Relationship of I Issuer	Reporting Pers	on(s) to		

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WONG IRWIN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP [CATY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) 777 NORTH	(First)  BROADW A	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2016	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SEVP, Chief Operating Officer
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  (check applicable line)
LOS ANGEL	ES, CAÂ	90012		Y Form Filed by One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Der	rivative Sec	curitie	s Acquired	l, Disposed of,	or Beneficially	<b>Owned</b>
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)	or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/11/2016	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	Amount 34.501	A	\$ 28.465	29,794.89	D	Â
Common Stock	06/13/2016	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	33.547	A	\$ 29.46	29,794.89	D	Â
Common Stock	09/12/2016	Â	J <u>(1)</u>	31.916	A	\$ 31.155	29,794.89	D	Â
Common Stock	12/12/2016	Â	<u>J(1)</u>	30.981	A	\$ 37.66	29,794.89	D	Â

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Common Stock 12/31/2016  $\hat{A}$  J $^{(2)}$  423.42  $\hat{A}$  \$ 38.03 17,818.78  $\hat{I}$  By ESOP

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit.	le and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						
					(A) or						
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date	TILL	of		
					(A) (D)				Shares		
					$(\Lambda)$ $(D)$				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WONG IRWIN 777 NORTH BROADWAY LOS ANGELES, CA 90012	Â	Â	SEVP, Chief Operating Officer	Â			

## **Signatures**

/s/ Monica Chen,
attorney-in-fact

\*\*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) Dividend Reinvestment.
- (2) ESOP DR earnings allocation.

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