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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TEDESCHI BRIAN S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

INDEPENDENT BANK CORP

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) [INDB]

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

10/20/2005

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP, 288 UNION STREET

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

(Zip)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

ROCKLAND, MA 02370

(State)

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table 1 - 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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect t Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/20/2005		M	5,000	A	\$ 8	80,531.61	D		
Common Stock	10/20/2005		F	1,421	D	\$ 28.135	79,110.61	D		
Common Stock							1,200	I	*by spouse	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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 Ame Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or No of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8	10/20/2005		M	5,000	10/17/1996 <u>(1)</u>	04/16/2006	Common Stock	5

Reporting Owners

Relationships

TEDESCHI BRIAN S C/O INDEPENDENT BANK CORP 288 UNION STREET ROCKLAND, MA 02370



Signatures

Linda M. Campion, Power of Attorney for Brian S. Tedeschi

10/21/2005 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Non-Employee Director Derivative Securities, Non-Qualified Common Stock Options expire 10 years from the grant date unless earlier terminated by reason of cessation as non-employee director.

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