

McDowell Ronda M
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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 *
 McDowell Ronda M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC [SASR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 EVP, Chief Credit Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/25/2018

OLNEY, MD 20832

4. If Amendment, Date Original 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 Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	04/25/2018		A		1,729	A	\$ 0
Common Stock					1,729	D	(1)
Common Stock					5,591	D	
Common Stock					380	D	(2)
Common Stock					1,256	D	(3)
Common Stock					1,400	D	(4)

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Common Stock 1,486 D ⁽⁵⁾

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.02					03/28/2013 ⁽⁶⁾ 03/28/2019	Common Stock	744
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.26					04/01/2014 ⁽⁶⁾ 03/27/2020	Common Stock	597

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McDowell Ronda M SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832			EVP, Chief Credit Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Ms. McDowell 04/27/2018

__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) Restricted stock awarded under 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in equal installments annually for five years beginning on April 25, 2019.
- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2015.
- (3) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2016.
- (4) Restricted stock awarded under 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in equal installments annually for five years beginning April 1, 2017.
- (5) Restricted stock awarded under 2015 Omnibus Incentive Plan vests in equal installments annually for five years beginning April 1, 2018.
- (6) Stock options fully vested and exercisable.

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