

WONG IRWIN  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL 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

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) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement of Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2018

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SEVP, Chief Admin Officer

777 NORTH BROADWAY

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

(City) (State) (Zip)

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**

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 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)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/12/2018	Â	J <sup>(1)</sup>	31.505	A	\$ 43.52	40,262.35	D	Â
Common Stock	06/11/2018	Â	J <sup>(1)</sup>	31.88	A	\$ 43.245	40,262.35	D	Â
Common Stock	09/14/2018	Â	J <sup>(1)</sup>	32.727	A	\$ 42.36	40,262.35	D	Â
Common Stock	12/13/2018	Â	J <sup>(1)</sup>	49.397	A	\$ 36.455	40,262.35	D	Â

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Common Stock	03/15/2018	Â	J <sup>(2)</sup>	102.658	A	\$ 42.7505	18,689.58	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	06/13/2018	Â	J <sup>(2)</sup>	103.063	A	\$ 42.5213	18,689.58	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	09/19/2018	Â	J <sup>(2)</sup>	105.298	A	\$ 42.1077	18,689.58	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	12/14/2018	Â	J <sup>(2)</sup>	161.508	A	\$ 35.543	18,689.58	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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						(A)	(D)		

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ Georgia Lo,  
attorney-in-fact  
02/13/2019  
\*\*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).

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- (1) Dividend Reinvestment.
- (2) ESOP DR earnings allocation.

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