

HERBEL VERN D
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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 *
HERBEL VERN D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TORCHMARK CORPORATION, 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/09/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
EVP and Chief Admin. Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	08/09/2017		M	27,500	A \$ 37.4	56,943	D
Common Stock	08/09/2017		S	27,500	D \$ 78.6168	29,443	D
Common Stock						58,695	I Reporting Person's Living Trust
Common						58,696	I Spouse's

Stock				Living Trust
Common Stock	42,455 ⁽³⁾	I		Thrift Plan Trust

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.4 ⁽⁴⁾	08/09/2017		M	27,500 ⁽⁴⁾	02/27/2016	02/27/2020	Common Stock	27,500 ⁽⁴⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HERBEL VERN D TORCHMARK CORPORATION 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070			EVP and Chief Admin. Officer	

Signatures

Vern D. Herbel, By:/s/Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact

08/11/2017

 **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) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.
- (2) sales at prices ranging from \$78.39 per share to \$79.02 per share.
- (3) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$79.23 per share.
- (4) Previously reported as option for 35,000 shares at an exercise price of \$56.10 per share, but was adjusted to reflect 3-for-2 stock split paid in the form of 50% stock dividend occurring on July 1, 2014.

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