LEAVELL BILL Form 4 October 30, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEAVELL BILL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]

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

GLOBE LIFE AND ACCIDENT **INSURANCE CO., 3700 SOUTH** STONEBRIDGE DRIVE

(Street)

(First)

10/27/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify

Exec Officer of Principal Sub.

below)

10% Owner

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Estimated average

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January 31,

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Applicable Line)

Director

Issuer

below)

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MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(Middle)

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 (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	, ,
Common Stock	10/27/2017		M	18,750	` ′	\$ 50.6934	18,750	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2017		S	18,750	D	\$ 84.4969 (1) (2)	0	D	
Common									Family

Common Stock	22,663	I	Family Trust
Common			Thrift

Lommon 4,146 (3) Plan Stock Trust

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
Paralama				Code V	and 5	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 50.6934 (4)	10/27/2017		M		18,750 (4)	02/24/2017	02/24/2021	Common Stock	18,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEAVELL BILL GLOBE LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE CO. 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070

Exec Officer of Principal Sub.

Signatures

Buy)

Bill Leavell /s/ Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-Fact

10/30/2017

**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) sales at prices ranging from \$84.36 per share to \$84.95 per share.
- (2) 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.

(3) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan - estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$84.96 per share.

Reporting Owners 2

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Previously reported as option for 25,000 shares at an exercise price of \$76.04 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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