

Contreras Jaime
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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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Contreras Jaime

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

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

02/16/2018

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)

Senior Vice President

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value	02/16/2018		A	(A) or (D)	20,030 (1) \$ 0 65,369	D	
Common shares without par value					22 (2)	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value					64,297 (3)	I	Jaime Contreras Marvan 2006

Common shares without par value	2,410 ⁽⁴⁾	I	Living Trust By spouse
Common shares without par value	12,081 ⁽⁵⁾	I	Living Trust (by spouse)

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 59.94	02/16/2018		A		110,146		02/16/2019	02/15/2028	Common shares	110,146

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Contreras Jaime 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Senior Vice President

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Jaime Contreras	02/21/2018
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__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).

These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 2017 Incentive Stock Program. The

- (1) awards have a 3-year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes.
 - (2) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 16, 2018.
 - (3) Held in the Jaime Contreras Marvan 2006 Living Trust. The reporting person is sole trustee of the trust. The trust is revocable.
 - (4) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his spouse.
 - (5) Held in spouse's living trust. The reporting person's spouse is sole trustee of the trust. The trust is revocable. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 2017 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section
- (6) 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 36,716 on 02/16/2019, 36,715 on 02/16/2020, and 36,715 on 02/16/2021.

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