

Bryant V Gail  
Form 4  
May 25, 2012

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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Section 16.  
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may continue.  
See Instruction  
1(b).

**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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Bryant V Gail

(Last) (First) (Middle)

200 PALMER STREET

(Street)

STROUDSBURG, PA 18360

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ESSA Bancorp, Inc. [ESSA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
05/23/2012

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)

Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 05/23/2012                              |                                                             | F                                    | V Amount (A) or (D) Price<br>3,995 D \$<br>10.42                        | 17,679 <sup>(2)</sup>                                                                                              | D                                                                    |                                                                   |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 24,833 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                              | I                                                                    | By 401(k)                                                         |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 2,600                                                                                                              | I                                                                    | As<br>custodian<br>for child                                      |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 1,691                                                                                                              | I                                                                    | By IRA                                                            |
| Common<br>Stock                       |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                         | 6,382 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                               | I                                                                    | By ESOP                                                           |

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                  | 8. P<br>Der<br>Sec<br>(Ins |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V (A) (D)                                                                                                             | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                                               | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |                            |
| Stock<br>Options                                    | \$ 12.35                                                              |                                         |                                                             |                                         |                                                                                                                       | 05/23/2009                                                     | 05/23/2018         | Common<br>Stock                                                     | 117,904<br>(3)                   |                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships                    |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                             | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Bryant V Gail<br>200 PALMER STREET<br>STROUDSBURG, PA 18360 | Vice President                   |

## Signatures

/s/ Marc Levy, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 05/25/2012

\*\*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) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) Includes shares of restricted stock that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.
- (3) Reflects stock options that vest at a rate of 20% per year commencing on May 23, 2009.

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