MITCHELL ROBERT BRIAN

Form 4

October 27, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MITCHELL ROBERT BRIAN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) TORCHMAR CORPORATI STONEBRID	ION, 3700		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/26/2017	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP and General Counsel			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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MCKINNEY, TX 75070

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Person
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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) Transactior Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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)	
Common Stock	10/26/2017		Code V M	Amount 18,750	(D)	Price \$ 50.6934	44,845.8768 (1)	D	
Common Stock	10/26/2017		S	18,750	D	\$ 84.8468 (3) (4)	25,995.691	D	
Common Stock							8,526 (2)	I	N/A

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 50.6934 (5)	10/26/2017		M		18,750 (5)	02/24/2017	02/24/2021	Common Stock	18,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MITCHELL ROBERT BRIAN TORCHMARK CORPORATION 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070

EVP and General Counsel

Signatures

Robert Brian Mitchell /s/Carol A. Mccoy, Attorney-in-fact

10/27/2017

**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) Includes 100.1858 shares acquired through brokerage dividend reinvestment plan since date of last report.
- (2) Shares in unitized fund in employee benefit plan estimated conversion of \$ balance using \$85.08 per share.
- (3) sales at prices ranging from \$84.24 per share to \$85.15 per share.
- (4) 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.
- (5) 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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