## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>STARKS DANIEL J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								(Ch	<ol> <li>Relationship of Report (Check all applicable)</li> <li>X Director</li> </ol>			. ,	Issuer Owner
(Last) 100 ABB	(Fir	,	Middle)		3. D 04/2		st Trans	saction (Month/Day/Year)							er (give titl w)	e	Othe below	r (specify v)	
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	e) <mark>X</mark> Forn	n filed by C	porting Pe		
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		Transaction I		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a 5)				Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	Pri	ce	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common	shares with	out par value		04/27/	2018	018		A		2,945(1)	A		\$ <mark>0</mark>	7,016,184			D		
Common shares without par value															258 <sup>(2)</sup>			I	Alynne Starks 2012 Irrevocable Trust
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Trans ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any Code				Transa Code (	nsaction of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		S (I	. Price of perivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	is Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code			Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These are restricted stock units awarded under the Abbott Laboratories 2017 Incentive Stock Program (the "Program"). They will be paid, on a one-to-one basis, in Abbott common shares on the earlier of the date of the director's separation from service, death, or the occurrence of a change in control (as defined in the Program).

2. Held in the Alynne Starks 2012 Irrevocable Trust. The reporting person is the sole trustee of the trust.

Jessica H. Paik, by power of attorney for Daniel J. Starks

05/01/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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