

ALVAREZ IGNACIO
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ALVAREZ IGNACIO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P O BOX 362708

(Street)

SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
POPULAR INC [BPOP]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/26/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

CEO & PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | | | | (A) or (D) | 89,731.051 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | | | | (A) or (D) | 3,186.422 ⁽²⁾ | I | by son |

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) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽³⁾ | 01/26/2018 | | A | 3,330 | ⁽⁴⁾ / ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share | 3,330 ⁽³⁾ |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ALVAREZ IGNACIO P O BOX 362708 SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708 | | X | CEO & PRESIDENT | |

Signatures

Marie Reyes-Rodriguez,
Attorney-in-fact

01/30/2018

 **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 577,773 shares acquired since Mr. Alvarez's last Form 4, pursuant to reinvestment of dividends paid by the Corporation in transactions exempt from Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act.
- (2) Includes 65,531 shares acquired since Mr. Alvarez's last Form 4, pursuant to reinvestment of dividends paid by the Corporation in transactions exempt from Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act.
- (3) Reflects performance-based vesting of performance share units granted to the reporting person on February 27, 2015 and accrued dividend equivalents thereunder converted into restricted stock units ("RSUs"), in each case, subject to continued time-based vesting conditions.

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- (4) The underlying RSUs remain subject to continued time-based vesting conditions through February 27, 2018. Upon vesting, restricted stock units are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the reporting person.

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