BAWEL DOUGLAS A

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BAWEL DOUGLAS A			Symbol GERMA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GERMAN AMERICAN BANCORP [GABC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	(Last) 2103 ST CHA	` , , , ,	3. Date of (Month/Da 01/15/20	•			_X_ Director Officer (give ti below)		Owner (specify		
	IA CDED IN	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting			
JASPER, IN 47546 (City) (State) (Zip)			7: \					Person			
	(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-Do	erivative Sec	curities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie ord Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or (D) Pri	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	01/15/2005	01/20/2005	P	31.3087	A \$ 15.9	97 569.4059	D (1)			

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amount Underlyi Securitie (Instr. 3	ing es	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title N of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BAWEL DOUGLAS A 2103 ST CHARLES ST JASPER, IN 47546	X					

Signatures

Mark A Schroeder POA for Douglas A
Bawel'
01/21/2005

**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) Column 5 includes 61.8711 shares held by Mr. Bawel as custodian for his son.

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