FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* KENNEY FREDERIC L | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/23/2018 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE] | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 100 WEST UNIVERSITY AVENUE | 03/23/2010 | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner | | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | |
| | | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | below) | below) | | X F | orm filed by | y One Reporting Person | | | |
| CHAMPAIGN IL 61820 | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | eneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | | | . Nature on the str. 5) | Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership str. 5) | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | 3,253 | D | | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | 15,090 | I | | Spouse | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | | 3,257 | I | | Fred and Kimberly | | | | | | |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Expiration (Month/Date Control of Co | | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Convers | ise For | Ownership Form: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | |
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Price of Derivativ Security | /e or≀ | rect (D) Indirect (Instr. 5) | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Mary Lakey, attorney-in-

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

05/29/2018

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 5 (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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