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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHAPLAND GEORGE T | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BUSEY CORP /NV/ [BUSE] | | | | | | | | | | Check all | onship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director | | | erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 100 WEST UNIVERSITY | | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/28/2017 | | | | | | | | | | ffice | r (give title) | Other below) | | (specify | |
| (Street) CHAMP (City) | AIGN II | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | | ine) X F F | ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - Nor | ı-Deriv | ative | e Se | curiti | es A | cqu | ired, I | Disp | osed o | of, or | 3ene | fici | ally Ow | ne | d | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Da | | | | | ar) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea | | | 3. 4. Securities Acquirer Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Insti- | | | | | and Securities Beneficiall Owned Fo | | es ially Following | Forn (D) c | wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | t (A) or (D) | | Pric | _ Tra | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 07/28/ | | | | | | | /2017 | | | A | | 37 ⁽¹⁾ A | | Α | \$ | 50 | 352,581 | | | D | | |
| | | Ta | able II - I | Derivati e.g., pu | ive S uts, c | ecu | rities s, warı | Acq rants | uire s, op | ed, Dis | spo s, cc | sed of, onvertil | or Be | nefic curiti | iallies) | y Owne | ed | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | i. Transactior Code (Instr. | | | | 6. Date Exercisi Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | r. 3 | 8. Price Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | /e | 9. Number or derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | Or Fo Di or (I) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exe | e rcisable | | piration ite | Title | Amo or Num of Shar | ber | | | | | | | |
| Common Stock | \$22.59 | | | | | | | | 06/ | 01/2010 | 06 | 5/30/2019 | Stock Option | 2,5 | 00 | | | 2,500 | | D | | |
| Common Stock | \$13.47 | | | | | | | | 06/ | 01/2011 | 06 | 5/01/2020 | Stock Option | 2,5 | 00 | | | 2,500 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents dividend equivalent rights accrued on Restricted Stock Units in conjunction with the payment of a cash dividend on First Busey Corporation Stock. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of First Busey Corporation Stock.

/s/ Mary Lakey, attorney-in-

07/31/2017

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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