INDEPENDENT BANK CORP /MI/ Form 8-K January 10, 2014

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: December 31, 2013

INDEPENDENT BANK CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan0-781838-2032782(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

230 West Main Street48846Ionia, Michigan(Zip Code)(Address of principal executive office)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (616) 527-5820

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Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;

5.02 Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

As previously disclosed by Independent Bank Corporation (the "Company") in its proxy statement for its 2013 annual shareholder meeting, effective December 31, 2013, Jeffrey A. Bratsburg retired as a director of the Company and its subsidiary bank, Independent Bank, in accordance with the Company's mandatory retirement age requirement for directors. Mr. Bratsburg's retirement was not due to any disagreement with Company management. The Company has determined that it will not immediately fill the vacancy created by Mr. Bratsburg's retirement, thereby reducing the size of the Company's Board of Directors to nine members.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

INDEPENDENT BANK CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date January 10, 2014 By /s/ Robert N. Shuster Robert N. Shuster Executive Vice President and CFO

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