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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 31, 2018

Sterling Bancorp

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-35385
(Commission
File Number)

80-0091851
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification Number)

400 Rella Boulevard, Montebello, New York
(Address of principal executive offices)

10901
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (845) 369-8040

Not Applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.



Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) Resignation of James F. Deutsch as Director

On December 31, 2018, Sterling Bancorp, a Delaware corporation (the “Company”), and the Company’s wholly-owned subsidiary, Sterling National Bank, a national banking association (the “Bank” and, together with the Company, “Sterling”) received and announced the resignation of James F. Deutsch from Sterling’s Board of Directors (the “Board”), effective December 31, 2018. Having served on Sterling’s Board since 2012, Mr. Deutsch voluntarily submitted his resignation for personal reasons. The resignation is not a result of any disagreement with Sterling’s Board or management or related to the operations, practices or policies of Sterling. Sterling’s Chairman of the Board will assign another current director to replace Mr. Deutsch as the Chairman of the Enterprise Risk Committee.

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.

STERLING BANCORP

Date: January 2, 2019

By: /s/ Luis Massiani
Luis Massiani
Senior Executive Vice President
Chief Financial Officer

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