Welch Jeffrey A. Form 4 March 28, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

See Instruction

Welch Jeffrey A.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					Issuer			
			SANDY SPRING BANCORP INC [SASR]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC., 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE				03/27/2013							
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
OLNEY, MD 20832				Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-I	erivative (Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Yo	ear) Execution	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or)) 5)	Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common Stock	03/27/2013			A A	5,114	(D)	Price \$ 0	5,114	D (1)	
	Common Stock								5,119	D	
	Common Stock								2,552.9362	I	ESPP
	Common Stock								978	D (2)	
	Common Stock								4,500	D (3)	

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Common Stock	4,815	D (4)
Common	4,180	D (5)

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	5. nNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	returion po						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Welch Jeffrey A. SANDY SPRING BANCORP, INC. 17801 GEORGIA AVENUE OLNEY, MD 20832

Executive Vice President

Relationships

Signatures

/s/ Janet VA Replogle, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Welch
03/28/2013

**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) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments annually over five years beginning April 1, 2014.

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- (2) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 25, 2010.
- (3) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 31, 2011.
- (4) Restricted stock awarded under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 30, 2012.
- (5) Restricted stock award under 2005 Omnibus Stock Plan vests in equal installments on the anniversary of the grant over five years beginning March 28, 2013.

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