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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Gray Peter A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ESSA Bancorp, Inc. [ESSA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
200 PALMER STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2019	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP and Chief Banking Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
STROUDSBU	RG, PA 183	360	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	D erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/31/2019		P	1,000	A	\$ 15.35	9,029 (2) (3) (4)	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2019		P	500	A	\$ 15.35	1,500	I	By IRA
Common Stock	01/31/2019		P	150	A	\$ 15.36	1,650	I	By IRA
Common Stock							453 <u>(1)</u>	I	By 401(k)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)			Si	hares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gray Peter A 200 PALMER STREET STROUDSBURG, PA 18360

EVP and Chief Banking Officer

Signatures

/s/ Marc Levy, pursuant to Power of Attorney

02/04/2019

**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) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- Includes shares of restricted stock which vest 324 shares on each of September 30, 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020, and 1,000 shares on each of March 29, 2018 and 2019.
- (3) Includes shares of restricted stock which vest at a rate of 25% per year commencing on September 30, 2018.
- (4) Includes shares of restricted stock which vest at a rate of 25% per year commencing on September 30, 2019.

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