

# **REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/**

**Reported by**  
**NELSON WILLIAM R**

## **FORM 4**

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

**Filed 01/22/26 for the Period Ending 01/20/26**

Address     REPUBLIC CORPORATE CENTER  
                  601 WEST MARKET ST  
                  LOUISVILLE, KY, 40202

Telephone    5025843600

                  CIK    0000921557

Symbol        RBCAA

SIC Code      6022 - State Commercial Banks

Industry      Banks

Sector        Financials

Fiscal Year   12/31

# FORM 4

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

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <b>Nelson William R</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>601 WEST MARKET STREET</b>  (Street) <b>LOUISVILLE, KY 40202</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/ [RBCAA ]</b>					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> X Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>PRESIDENT, RPG</b>									
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <b>1/20/2026</b>					4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		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			
Class A Common Stock	1/20/2026		A		525	A	\$0		34,390.957	D

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$71.36	1/20/2026		A			2,028		1/1/2029	1/1/2032	Class A Common Stock	2,028	\$71.36	2,028	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$49.25								1/1/2027	1/1/2030	Class A Common Stock	4,484		4,484	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$68.02								1/1/2028	1/1/2031	Class A Common Stock	3,244		3,244	D

#### Explanation of Responses:

#### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>Nelson William R</b> <b>601 WEST MARKET STREET</b> <b>LOUISVILLE, KY 40202</b>			<b>PRESIDENT, RPG</b>	

#### Signatures

/s/ Kevin Sipes, Attorney-in-Fact

1/22/2026

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* 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).

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