## 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): August 15, 2017

## **M&T BANK CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

New York (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-9861 (Commission File Number)

One M&T Plaza, Buffalo, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (716) 635-4000

(NOT APPLICABLE)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  $\Box$ 

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.

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 (see General Instructions A.2. below):

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Dere-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

16-0968385 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

> 14203 (Zip Code)

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

Richard H. Ledgett, Jr. was elected to the Board of Directors of M&T Bank Corporation ("M&T") effective August 15, 2017. Mr. Ledgett was also elected as a director of M&T Bank, M&T's principal banking subsidiary.

The public announcement was made by means of a news release, the text of which is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit <u>No.</u> <u>Exhibit Description</u>

99.1 News Release dated August 15, 2017.

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SIGNATURES

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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 15, 2017

### **M&T BANK CORPORATION**

By: /s/ Marie King

Marie King Group Vice President and Corporate Secretary

### Exhibit No. Exhibit Description

99.1 News Release dated August 15, 2017. Filed herewith.

# **M&T**Bank

### M&T Bank Corporation Elects Richard H. Ledgett, Jr. to Board of Directors

**BUFFALO, N.Y., August 15, 2017** —M&T Bank Corporation (NYSE: MTB) ("M&T") announced the election of Richard H. Ledgett, Jr. of Crownsville, Maryland to its Board of Directors, effective August 15, 2017. Mr. Ledgett was also elected to the Board of Directors of M&T Bank, M&T's principal banking subsidiary.

Mr. Ledgett joins M&T's board with four decades of intelligence, cyber security and cyber operations experience, including 29 years with the National Security Agency (NSA), the largest intelligence organization in the U.S., where he served as Deputy Director from January 2014 until his retirement in April 2017. As Deputy Director for the NSA, he led a global entity with almost 200 operating locations around the world and acted as the Agency's chief operating officer, responsible for providing foreign intelligence and protecting our country's most important national security-related networks and information.

Additionally, Mr. Ledgett led the NSA's 24/7 Threat Operations Center (NTOC), responsible for identifying and countering cyber threats to our national security systems. In that capacity, he redirected the NTOC's focus to robust identification of cyber threat actors and made that information actionable by consumers. Mr. Ledgett was also selected as the Intelligence Community's first National Intelligence Manager for Cyber, serving as principal advisor to the Director of National Intelligence on all cyber matters. In this capacity, he was also responsible for integrating cyber activities across 16 intelligence agencies and numerous international partners, and he developed the first National Intelligence Strategy for cyber.

Mr. Ledgett is a recipient of numerous honors and awards, including Presidential Rank Awards for Distinguished and Meritorious Service and the National Intelligence Distinguished Service and Superior Service Medals. He is a member of the U.S. Naval Academy's Cyber Board of Advisors and has served as an instructor and course developer at the National Cryptologic School and as an adjunct faculty member at the National Intelligence University in Washington, D.C. He earned his M.S. in Strategic Intelligence from the National Defense Intelligence College in Washington, D.C., completed graduate-level coursework in engineering at George Washington University in Washington, D.C., and earned his B.S. in Psychology from the University of the State of New York in Albany, New York.

"Rick Ledgett has had a long and distinguished career serving our country and protecting our nation's most important information security interests around the world," said Robert G. Wilmers, M&T's Chairman and CEO. "He will be an invaluable addition to our board, bringing a management, operational and technical perspective to cyber security and information assurance that will further strengthen M&T's commitment to information security and risk management."

### About M&T Bank

M&T is a financial holding company headquartered in Buffalo, New York. M&T's principal banking subsidiary, M&T Bank, operates banking offices in New York, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Connecticut, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia. Trust-related services are provided by M&T's Wilmington Trust-affiliated companies and by M&T Bank.

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