

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

**FORM S-8**  
**REGISTRATION STATEMENT**  
*UNDER*  
*THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933*

**RBB Bancorp**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

660 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1888  
Los Angeles, California 90017  
(213) 627-9888

(Address of principal executive offices  
including zip code)

27-2776416  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

California  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan  
(Full title of the plan)

Yee Phong (Alan) Thian  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer  
RBB Bancorp

660 S. Figueroa Street, Suite 1888  
Los Angeles, California 90017  
(Name and address of agent for service)

(213) 627-9888  
(Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Smaller reporting company

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 7(a)(2)(B) of the Securities Act.

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

Title of each class of securities to be registered(1)	Amount to be Registered (2)	Proposed maximum offering price per share(3)	Proposed maximum aggregate offering price(3)	Amount of registration fee(4)
Common Stock, \$0.00 par value per share	3,848,342	\$23.21	\$89,320,018	\$10,352.19

- (1) This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (this "Registration Statement") covers up to 3,848,342 shares of the Common Stock of RBB Bancorp, no par value per share (the "Common Stock"), that may be offered in connection with the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "2017 Plan").
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), this Registration Statement shall also be deemed to cover any additional securities to be offered or issued in connection with the provisions of the 2017 Plan, which provides for adjustments in the amount of securities to be offered or issued to prevent dilution resulting from stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the amount of the registration fee pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(h) under the Securities Act. The price of \$88,511.87 equals: (i) the product of: (x) 3,848,342 shares of Common Stock and (y) \$23.21, the average of the high and low sales prices for Common Stock, as reported on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on August 1, 2017.
- (4) Fee was calculated by multiplying 0.0001159 by the proposed maximum aggregate offering price.

## INTRODUCTORY NOTE

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the “Registration Statement”) of RBB Bancorp, a California corporation (“RBB” or the “Registrant”), relates to up to 3,848,342 shares of common stock of RBB, no par value per share (the “Common Stock”), that may be offered in connection with the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the “2017 Plan”).

### PART I

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The documents containing the information specified in this Part I will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the “Securities Act”). Such documents need not be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Commission”) either as part of this Registration Statement or as prospectuses or prospectus supplements pursuant to Rule 424. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

### PART II

#### INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

##### **Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference.**

The following documents previously filed by RBB with the Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), are hereby incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement:

1. RBB’s final prospectus dated July 25, 2017 and filed with the Commission on July 26, 2017 pursuant to Rule 424(b)(4) under the Securities Act in connection with RBB’s initial public offering Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-219018) (the “Form S-1”);
2. The description of the Common Stock set forth in RBB’s Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed with the Commission on July 12, 2017 and any amendments, reports or other filings filed with the Commission for the purpose of updating that description; and
3. RBB’s other reports filed pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the document listed in the first item above.

All documents subsequently filed by RBB pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or that deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of the filing of such documents (other than information therein that is furnished and not deemed filed with the Commission).

Any statement contained herein or in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

##### **Item 4. Description of Securities.**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel.**

Not applicable.

**Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers.**

Under Section 317 of the California Corporations Code, or the CGCL, a California corporation has the power to indemnify any person who was or is a party, or is threatened to be made a party to any proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor) by reason, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was an agent of the corporation, against expenses (including attorneys' fees), judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the proceeding if that person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the corporation and, in the case of a criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful.

In addition, an California corporation shall have power to indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was an agent of the corporation, against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by that person in connection with the defense or settlement of the action if the person acted in good faith, in a manner the person believed to be in the best interests of the corporation and its shareholders, provided that no indemnification shall be made for any of the following (1) with respect to any claim, issue, or matter as to which such person has been adjudged to have been liable to the corporation in the performance of that person's duty to the corporation and its shareholders, unless and only to the extent that the court in which the proceeding is or was pending shall determine upon application that, in view of all the circumstances of the case, the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for expenses and then only to the extent that the court shall determine; (2) of amounts paid in settling or otherwise disposing of a pending action without court approval; or (3) of expenses incurred in defending a pending action which is settled or otherwise disposed of without court approval.

Section 317 of the CGCL also provides that, to the extent that an agent of a corporation has been successful on the merits in the defense of any proceeding referred to in either of the foregoing paragraphs or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, the agent shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the agent in connection therewith.

Section 317 of the GCGL also provides that to the extent that an agent of a corporation has been successful on the merits in defense of any proceeding referred to above or in defense of any claim, issue, or matter therein, the agent shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the agent in connection therewith.

Except as provided in the paragraph above, any indemnification under this section shall be made by the corporation only if authorized in the specific case, upon a determination that indemnification of the agent is proper in the circumstances because the agent has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth above, by any of the following: (1) a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who are not parties to such proceeding, (2) if such a quorum of directors is not obtainable, by independent legal counsel in a written opinion, (3) approval of the shareholders (Section 153), with the shares owned by the person to be indemnified not being entitled to vote thereon, or (4) The court in which the proceeding is or was pending upon application made by the corporation or the agent or the attorney or other person rendering services in connection with the defense, whether or not the application by the agent, attorney or other person is opposed by the corporation.

Our articles of incorporation provide that the liability of the directors of the Corporation for monetary damages shall be eliminated to the fullest extent permissible under California law. Our articles of incorporation and bylaws also provide that we are authorized to provide indemnification of agents (as defined in Section 317 of the Corporations Code) for breach of duty to the corporation and its shareholders through bylaw provisions or through agreements with agents, or both, in excess of the indemnification otherwise permitted by Section 317 of the Corporations Code, subject to the limits of such excess indemnification set forth in Section 204 of the Corporations Code.

We have also obtained officers' and directors' liability insurance which insures against liabilities that officers and directors may, in such capacities, incur. Section 317 of the GCGL provides that a California corporation shall have power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any agent of the corporation against any liability asserted against or incurred by the agent in any that capacity or arising out of the agent's status as such whether or not the corporation would have the power to indemnify the agent against that liability under CGCL Section 317.

The Underwriting Agreement, dated as of July 25, 2017, by and between RBB Bancorp and Sandler O'Neill + Partners, L.P., as representatives of the several Underwriters named in Schedule I thereto, filed with the Commission as Exhibit 1.1 to the Form S-1, provides for indemnification of directors and officers of the Registrant by the underwriters against certain liabilities.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed.**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits.**

The list of exhibits is set forth under "Exhibit Index" at the end of this registration statement and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9. Undertakings.**

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) to file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:
  - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the Registration Statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective Registration Statement;
  - (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the Registration Statement or any material change to such information in the Registration Statement;  
*provided, however,* that paragraphs (1)(a)(i) and (1)(a)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement;
- (2) that, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof; and

- (3) to remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered that remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## SIGNATURES AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Los Angeles, State of California, on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2017.

### **RBB Bancorp**

By: /s/ Yee Phong (Alan) Thian

Name: Yee Phong (Alan) Thian

Title: Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

Each of the undersigned officers and directors of RBB Bancorp does hereby severally constitute and appoint Yee Phong (Alan) Thian and David R. Morris, and each of them acting alone, his or her true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution in each of them for him or her and in his or her name, place and stead, and in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including pre-effective and post-effective amendments and any other registration statement filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act) to this Registration Statement and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC and any applicable securities exchange or securities self-regulatory body, granting to said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he or she might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agent, or his or her substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

<u>Signature</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
<hr/> <i>/s/ Yee Phong (Alan) Thian</i> Yee Phong (Alan) Thian	Director (Chairman); Chief Executive Officer and President (principal executive officer)	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ David Morris</i> David Morris	Executive Vice President; Chief Executive Officer and President (principal executive officer)	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Peter M. Chang</i> Peter M. Chang	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Wendell Chen</i> Wendell Chen	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Pei-Chun (Peggy) Huang</i> Pei-Chun (Peggy) Huang	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ James W. Kao</i> James W. Kao	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Ruey-Chyr Kao</i> Ruey-Chyr Kao	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Chie-Min (Christopher) Koo</i> Chie-Min (Christopher) Koo	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Christopher Lin</i> Christopher Lin	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Ko-Yen Lin</i> Ko-Yen Lin	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Paul Lin</i> Paul Lin	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Feng (Richard) Lin</i> Feng (Richard) Lin	Director	August 2, 2017
<hr/> <i>/s/ Fui Ming (Catherine) Thian</i> Fui Ming (Catherine) Thian	Director	August 2, 2017

## EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
4.1	Articles of Incorporation of RBB Bancorp (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
4.2	Bylaws of RBB Bancorp (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
5.1	Opinion of Loren P. Hansen, APC regarding the validity of securities to be issued*
10.1	RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.6 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
10.2	Form of Stock Option Award Terms under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.7 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
10.3	Form of Stock Appreciation Rights Award under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
10.4	Form of Deferred Stock Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.9 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
10.5	Form of Restricted Stock Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
10.6	Form of Performance Share Award Agreement under the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.11 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on form S-1 filed on June 28, 2017)
23.1	Consent of Vavrinek Trine Day & Co., LLP*
23.2	Consent of Loren P. Hansen, APC (included as part of Exhibit 5.1)
24.1	Power of Attorney (Included in signature page)

\* Filed herewith

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August 2, 2017

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Los Angeles, California 90017

Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as special counsel to RBB Bancorp, a California corporation (the "Company"), in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement", which term does not include any other document or agreement whether or not specifically referred to therein or attached as an exhibit or schedule thereto), under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the issuance by the Company of up to 3,848,342 shares of common stock, no par value per share, of the Company (the "Shares") which may be issued pursuant to the RBB Bancorp 2017 Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). In connection with the foregoing, you have requested our opinion with respect to the following matters.

In our capacity as special counsel to the Company and in connection with the opinion set forth herein, we have examined the originals, or duplicates or certified or conformed copies, of such corporate records, agreements, documents and other instruments, including the certificate of incorporation and bylaws of the Company, and have made such other investigations as we have deemed relevant and necessary in connection with the opinions set forth below. As to questions of fact material to this opinion, we have relied, with your approval, upon oral and written representations of officers and representatives of the Company and certificates or comparable documents of public officials and of officers and representatives of the Company.

In making such examination and rendering the opinions set forth below, we have assumed without verification the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, the authenticity of the originals of such documents submitted to us as certified copies, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies, the authenticity of the originals of such documents, that all documents submitted to us as certified copies are true and correct copies of such originals and the legal capacity of all individuals executing any of the foregoing documents.

In rendering the opinion set forth below, we have also assumed that the Shares, when issued, will be duly authenticated by the transfer agent and registrar for the Shares and that the certificates, if any, evidencing the Shares to be issued will be manually signed by one of the authorized officers of the transfer agent and registrar for the Shares and registered by such transfer agent and registrar and will conform to the specimen certificate examined by us evidencing the Shares.

Based upon the foregoing, and subject to the qualifications, assumptions and limitations stated herein, we are of the opinion that when the Shares have been issued in accordance with the provisions of the Plan, the Shares will be validly issued, duly authorized, fully paid and nonassessable.

We are members of the bar of the State of California, and we do not express any opinion herein concerning any law. This opinion is given since the law and the facts existing as of the date hereof. We assume no obligation to advise you of changes in matters of fact or law which may thereafter occur.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not hereby admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Loren P. Hansen



**CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

We hereby consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of our report dated March 22, 2017, relating to the consolidated financial statements of RBB Bancorp, which appears in the Prospectus in Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-219018).

*Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co., LLP*

Laguna Hills, California  
August 2, 2017

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