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

## FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

# Triumph Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 20-0477066 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

12700 Park Central Drive, Suite 1700 Dallas, Texas 75251 (214) 365-6900 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as amended Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (Full title of the Plan)

> Aaron P. Graft President and Chief Executive Officer 12700 Park Central Drive, Suite 1700 Dallas, Texas 75251 (Name and address of agent for service)

(214) 365-6900 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company or an emerging growth company. See 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  $\boxtimes$ 

Non-accelerated filer  $\Box$ 

Accelerated filer□Smaller reporting company□

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

#### **CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

		Proposed	Proposed	
	Amount	maximum	maximum	
Title of securities	to be	offering price	aggregate	Amount of
to be registered	registered (1)	per share (2)	offering price (2)	registration fee

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, to be issued under the Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as				
amended	800,000	\$38.25	\$30,600,000	\$3,972
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, to be issued under the				
Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan	2,500,000	\$38.25	\$95,625,000	\$12,413
(1) Pursuant to Rule 416(a) under the Securities Act of 1933 (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 above-referenced plan, which provides for adjustments in the				

additional securities to be offered of issued in connection with the provisions of the above-referenced 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.
(2) Estimated in accordance with Rule 457(h) under the Securities Act, solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. The price of \$38.25 represents the average of the high and low sale prices of the Common Stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on December 17, 2019.

#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of this Form S-8 Registration Statement is to register an aggregate of 3,300,000 shares of Triumph Bancorp, Inc. ("we," "our," "us," "TBI" or the "Company") Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), that may be offered pursuant to the Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan, as amended (the "2014 Omnibus Plan") and the Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP").

#### PART I

#### **INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS**

The document(s) containing the information specified in Part I will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) of 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 of the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II hereof, 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 filed with the Commission by the Company are incorporated in this Registration Statement by reference:

- 1. The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2018, filed on February 12, 2019;
- 2. The Company's Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarters ended March 31, 2019, filed on <u>April 19, 2019</u>, June 30, 2019, filed on <u>July 19, 2019</u>, and September 30, 2019, filed on <u>October 18, 2019</u>;
- 3. The Company's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed on <u>May 1, 2019</u> (excluding the portion furnished under Item 7.01), <u>May 16, 2019, November 19, 2019, November 21, 2019</u> and <u>November 27, 2019</u>; and
- 3. The description of the Common Stock, set forth in the Company's Registration Statement on <u>Form 8-A</u> filed November 4, 2014 (File No. 001-36722) and any amendments, reports or other filings filed with the Commission for the purpose of updating that description.

To the extent that any information contained in any report on Form 8-K, or any exhibit thereto, was furnished to, rather than filed with, the Commission, such information or exhibit is specifically not incorporated by reference.

All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered hereunder have been sold or which deregisters all of the securities offered then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

#### ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

Not applicable.

#### ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

The legality of the securities offered pursuant to this Registration Statement has been passed on by Adam D. Nelson, Executive Vice President and General Counsel of the Company. Mr. Nelson is a shareholder of the Company, holds awards previously granted under the 2014 Omnibus Plan, and is eligible to receive future awards under the 2014 Omnibus Plan and to participate in the ESPP.

#### ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Company's Second Amended and Restated Bylaws (the "Bylaws") provides that, to the fullest extent and under the circumstances permitted by Texas law, (i) we must indemnify and advance expenses to any present or former director, officer or delegate and (ii) we may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of our directors, officers or delegates; *provided*, that we will have no obligation to indemnify any present or former director, officer, or delegate with respect to any proceeding in which (i) such person was, is, or is threatened to be made a named defendant or respondent, (ii) the Company is a claimant and (iii) a majority of the board of directors authorizes the Company to act in the capacity of a claimant with respect to such person.

The Company has entered into indemnification agreements with its directors and certain of its officers (each an "indemnitee") pursuant to which they are indemnified as described above and will be advanced costs and expenses subject to the condition that an indemnitee shall reimburse the indemnitor for all the amounts paid if a final judicial determination is made that the indemnitee is not entitled to be so indemnified under applicable law. The Company also maintains directors' and officers' liability insurance providing indemnification for its directors and officers for some liabilities. The Company believes that the provisions in the indemnification agreements and the directors' and officers' insurance are useful to attract and retain qualified directors and executive officers.

#### 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;
    - (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; and

(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 (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) above do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8, and 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 Exchange Act that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, 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.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which 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 of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to 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 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 Securities 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

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, 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 Dallas, Texas on December 23, 2019.

**Triumph Bancorp, Inc.** (Registrant)

By: <u>/s/ Aaron P. Graft</u> Name: Aaron P. Graft Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Aaron P. Graft, R. Bryce Fowler and Adam D. Nelson, and each of them acting individually, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, to execute for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments) to this registration statement and any registration statement for the same offering covered by this registration statement that is to be effective upon filing pursuant to Rule 462 promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, as the attorney-in-fact and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and any other documents required in connection therewith with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents and their substitutes, 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 connection therewith, as fully as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or their or his substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this amendment to its registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Aaron P. Graft Aaron P. Graft	President and Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	December 23, 2019
/s/ R. Bryce Fowler R. Bryce Fowler	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	December 23, 2019
/s/ Carlos M. Sepulveda, Jr. Carlos M. Sepulveda, Jr.	Director and Chairman	December 23, 2019
/s/ Charles A. Anderson Charles A. Anderson	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Richard Davis Richard Davis	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Robert Dobrient Robert Dobrient	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Douglas M. Kratz Douglas M. Kratz	Director	December 23, 2019

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Maribess L. Miller Maribess L. Miller	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Fred Perpall Fred Perpall	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Michael P. Rafferty Michael P. Rafferty	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ C. Todd Sparks C. Todd Sparks	Director	December 23, 2019
/s/ Justin N. Trail Justin N. Trail	Director	December 23, 2019

### EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit <u>Number</u>	Description
4.1	Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 13, 2014)
4.2	Certificate of Amendment to Second Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation of Triumph Bancorp, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 10, 2018)
4.3	Second Amended and Restated Bylaws (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 13, 2014)
4.4	Amendment No. 1 to Second Amended and Restated Bylaws of Triumph Bancorp, Inc. (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 10, 2018)
4.5	<u>Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.10 to the Company's Amendment</u> <u>No. 1 to Form S-1 Registration Statement (Registration No. 333-198838) filed on October 17, 2014)</u>
4.6	First Amendment to the Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to Form 8-K filed with the SEC on May 16, 2019)
4.7	<u>Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated herein by reference to Annex B to the Company's Definitive Proxy</u> <u>Statement on Schedule 14A filed with the SEC on April 3, 2019)</u>
5.1	Opinion of Adam D. Nelson, Esq., Executive Vice President and General Counsel*
23.1	Consent of Crowe LLP*
23.2	Consent of Adam D. Nelson (included in Exhibit 5.1)*
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)

\* Filed herewith.

#### [Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Letterhead]

December 23, 2019

Triumph Bancorp, Inc. 12700 Park Central Drive, Suite 1700 Dallas, Texas 75251

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am the General Counsel of Triumph Bancorp, Inc., a Texas corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), and as such have acted as counsel to the Company in connection with the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>", 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) relating to the registration under the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>") of up to 3,300,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (the "<u>Securities</u>"), which may be issued pursuant to the Company's 2014 Omnibus Incentive Plan (the "<u>Plan</u>") and the Triumph Bancorp, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "<u>ESPP</u>"). In connection with the foregoing, you have requested my opinion with respect to the following matters.

For the purposes of giving the opinion contained herein, I, or attorneys working under my direction, have examined the Registration Statement, the Plan and the ESPP. I, or attorneys working under my direction, have also examined the originals, or duplicates or certified or conformed copies, of such corporate records, agreements, documents and other instruments, including the amended and restated certificate of formation and amended and restated bylaws of the Company, and have made such other investigations as I have deemed relevant and necessary in connection with the opinion set forth below. As to questions of fact material to this opinion, I 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 opinion set forth below, I have assumed without verification the genuineness of all signatures, the authenticity of all documents submitted to me as originals, the authenticity of the originals of such documents submitted to me as certified copies, the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to me as copies, the authenticity of the originals of such documents, that all documents submitted to me as certified copies are true and correct copies of such originals and the legal capacity of all individuals executing any of the foregoing documents. I have also assumed that the Securities, when issued, will be duly authenticated by the transfer agent and registrar for the Securities.

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

I am a member of the bar of the State of Texas and I do not express any opinion herein concerning any law other than the Texas Business Organizations Code (including the statutory provisions, all applicable provisions of the Texas Constitution and reported judicial decisions interpreting the foregoing).

This opinion letter speaks only as of its date and is delivered in accordance with the requirements of Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act. I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion letter as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, I do not hereby admit that I am 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/ Adam D. Nelson

#### CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-8 of Triumph Bancorp, Inc. of our report dated February 12, 2019 relating to the consolidated financial statements and effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting appearing in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Triumph Bancorp, Inc. for the year ended December 31, 2018.

/s/ Crowe LLP Crowe LLP

Dallas, Texas December 20, 2019