

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
Form 8-K
May 15, 2017

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): May 10, 2017

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Georgia | <u>No. 001-35095</u> | <u>No. 58-180-7304</u> |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer Identification No.) |

125 Highway 515 East
Blairsville, Georgia 30512
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
(706) 781-2265

Not applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§240.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

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 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

The 2017 annual meeting of shareholders of United Community Banks, Inc., a Georgia corporation (the “Company”), was held on May 10, 2017 (the “Annual Meeting”). As of March 11, 2017, the record date of the Annual Meeting, 70,966,488 shares of the Company’s common stock were outstanding and entitled to vote at the Annual Meeting. A total of 64,087,264 shares of United’s common stock, constituting a quorum, were represented in person or by proxy at the Annual Meeting.

The Company’s shareholders voted on three proposals at the Annual Meeting. The final results of the votes, including the votes cast for, against or withheld, as well as the number of abstentions and broker non-votes, relating to each matter are as follows:

Proposal 1. The election of ten directors to constitute the Board of Directors to serve until the 2018 annual meeting of shareholders and until their successors are elected and qualified:

| | <u>For</u> | <u>Withheld</u> | <u>Broker Non-Votes</u> |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Robert H. Blalock | 56,526,633 | 2,373,470 | 5,187,161 |
| L. Cathy Cox | 57,849,860 | 1,050,243 | 5,187,161 |
| Kenneth L. Daniels | 58,417,572 | 482,531 | 5,187,161 |
| H. Lynn Harton | 56,332,827 | 2,567,276 | 5,187,161 |
| W.C. Nelson, Jr. | 56,517,936 | 2,382,167 | 5,187,161 |
| Thomas A. Richlovsky | 58,404,421 | 495,682 | 5,187,161 |
| David C. Shaver | 58,485,395 | 414,708 | 5,187,161 |
| Jimmy C. Tallent | 56,546,368 | 2,353,735 | 5,187,161 |
| Tim R. Wallis | 57,807,287 | 1,092,816 | 5,187,161 |
| David H. Wilkins | 58,472,921 | 427,182 | 5,187,161 |

Proposal 2. The approval of an advisory “say on pay” resolution supporting the compensation plan for executive officers:

| <u>For</u> | <u>Against</u> | <u>Abstain</u> | <u>Broker Non-Votes</u> |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 57,179,515 | 1,667,570 | 53,018 | 5,187,161 |

Proposal 3. The ratification of the appointment of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company for the year ending December 31, 2017:

| <u>For</u> | <u>Against</u> | <u>Abstain</u> | <u>Broker Non-Votes</u> |
|------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 63,769,556 | 51,669 | 266,039 | - |

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.

**UNITED COMMUNITY
BANKS, INC.**

By: /s/ Jefferson L. Harralson
Jefferson L. Harralson
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

Date: May 15, 2017