

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â STEPHENS JOHN D | | (Month/Day/Year) | UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC [UCBI] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 07/09/2007 | |
| 5173 PELICAN DRIVE | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| COLLEGE PARK,Â GAÂ 30349 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other | |
| | | | (specify below) | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 330,912 | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 11,272 ⁽¹⁾ | I | John D. Stephens & Sons, LP ⁽¹⁾ |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STEPHENS JOHN D 5173 PELICAN DRIVE COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349 | X | ^ | ^ | ^ |

Signatures

Lois J. Rich,
POA

07/18/2007

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).
- (1) Includes 11,272 shares held in the name of a Limited Partnership for which Mr. Stephens is general partner.

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