

NELSON W C JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NELSON W C JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC [UCBI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/31/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

PO BOX 127

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					1,874,499 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock					48,475 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(2)</sup>	I	W.C. Nelson, Jr. Cust FBO [Minor Gr grandchildren]
Common Stock					51,866 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Patricia A. Nelson (Spouse)
Common Stock					1,370 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup>	I	Conag Rentals, Inc.

Common Stock 1,191 <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup> I King Ford

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Warrant to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 20	10/31/2008		J <sup>(6)</sup>	50,000	10/31/2008 10/31/2013	Common Stock	50,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NELSON W C JR PO BOX 127 BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514		X		

## Signatures

Lois J. Rich 02/13/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) Reflects 131/130 stock dividends in October 2008 and January 2009.
- (2) Includes 48,475 shares owned by Mr. Nelson's minor grandchildren for which he is custodian.

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- (3) Includes 51,866 shares owned by Mr. Nelson's spouse for which he claims beneficial ownership.
- (4) Includes 1,370 shares owned by ConAg Rentals, Inc. for which Mr. Nelson claims beneficial ownership.
- (5) Includes 1,191 shares owned by King Ford, a company in which Mr. Nelson is 50% owner and claims beneficial ownership.
- (6) United Community Banks, Inc. issued the warrant to purchase shares of its common stock in connection with the private placement of capital securities by a trust affiliate of United.

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