

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
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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 *
TALLENT JIMMY C

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)
PO BOX 398
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/25/2016

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

BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Following 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 01/25/2016 | | F | (A) or (D) | 660.779 <u>(1)</u> \$ 16.78 | D | |
| Common Stock (PSUs) | 01/25/2016 | | D | (A) or (D) | 981 <u>(2)</u> \$ 0 | D | |
| Common Stock Issuable | | | | | 116,435.9 <u>(3) (4)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock (RSUs) | | | | | 29,700 | D | |

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|--------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 38,745.6 ⁽⁵⁾ | I | By 401k |
| Common Stock | 77 | I | Jeanne Tallent (spouse) |
| Common Stock | 61 | I | as Custodian for Minor Grandchildren |

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TALLENT JIMMY C PO BOX 398 BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514 | X | | Chairman & CEO | |

Signatures

Lois J. Rich, Attorney in Fact
01/27/2016

 **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) Represents shares of United Community Banks, Inc. common stock withheld to satisfy tax obligations upon vesting of Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units ("PSUs").
- (2) These shares of PSUs were forfeited due to failure to achieve performance criteria on date of vest.
- (3) Reflects reclassification of PSUs into Phantom Stock pursuant to the United Community Banks Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (4) Includes 575.997 shares purchased pursuant to dividend reinvestment purchases.
- (5) Reflects forfeiture of 12 shares as payment for fees associated with the United Community Banks Profit Sharing Plan.

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