

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC  
Form 8-K  
July 11, 2007

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**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):  
July 9, 2007

United Community Banks, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

No. 0-21656  
(Commission File Number)

No. 58-180-7304  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

63 Highway 515, P.O. Box 398  
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))
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**ITEM 5.02. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.**

On July 9, 2007, the Board of Directors of United Community Banks, Inc. (the “Company”) appointed John D. Stephens to serve as a director of the Company. To accommodate the election of Mr. Stephens, the Board of Directors (the “Board”) also adopted a resolution to increase the authorized number of directors on the Board. Section 3.2 of Article III of the Bylaws of the Company provides that the authorized number of directors of the Company shall be within a range of eight to fourteen directors, subject to determination by resolution of the Board or by the stockholders of the Company at the annual meeting. The exact number of directors of the Company was increased from eleven to twelve effective as of July 9, 2007.

Mr. Stephens has not yet been named to any committee of the Board.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**Exhibit No.    Description**

99.1            Press Release dated July 9, 2007

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**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.

/s/ Rex S. Schuette

Rex S. Schuette

Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

July 9, 2007