

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
November 20, 2015

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)
November 19, 2015

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Rhode Island -----	001-32991 -----	05-0404671 -----
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

23 Broad Street, Westerly, Rhode Island 02891

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (401) 348-1200

Former name or address, if changed from last report: N/A

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

Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year

On November 19, 2015, the Board of Directors of Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc. (the “Corporation”) approved an amendment to Section 4.02(c) of the Corporation’s Amended and Restated By-laws to increase the maximum age for a person to be eligible for election or reelection to the Board of Directors from age 70 to age 72.

The Corporation's Amended and Restated By-laws is filed as Exhibit 3.4 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

3.4 Amended and Restated By-laws of Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Date: November 20, 2015

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ David V. Devault

David V. Devault

Vice Chair, Secretary and Chief Financial Officer