

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
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FORM 5

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STEPHENS JOHN D

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

5173 PELICAN DRIVE
 (Street)

COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2010

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
 (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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/15/2010	^	G	164,550 D	\$ 0 168,422	D	^
Common Stock	^	^	^	^ ^	11,710	I	John D. Stephens & Sons, LP

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)

Table with 9 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities, 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. of D S B O E I S F (I

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 rows: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Row 1: STEPHENS JOHN D, 5173 PELICAN DRIVE, COLLEGE PARK, GA 30349, X, , , .

Signatures

Lois J. Rich 01/19/2011
Signature of Reporting Person Date

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