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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Shearrow David P Issuer Symbol UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS (Check all applicable) INC [UCBI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O UNITED COMMUNITY 01/30/2013 EVP of Risk Management BANKS, INC., PO BOX 398 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514**

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/30/2013		A	271	A	\$0	17,177	D	
Common Stock (RSU's)							27,622	D	
Common Shares Issuable							4,342 (1)	D	

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shearrow David P C/O UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. **PO BOX 398** BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

EVP of Risk Management

Signatures

/s/Lois J. Rich as Attorney 01/31/2013 in Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Acquired pursuant to The United Community Banks Deferred Compensation Plan. The number of shares as quoted is based upon the previous day's market value of \$10.30 per share and can fluctuate with the stock's market price. The units are to be settled in UCBI common stock at the NAV upon termination of employment, or earlier if so indicated, and subject to any applicable restrictions under TARP at such time.

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