

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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 Form 3 Holdings Reported Form 4 Transactions Reported

**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 \*  
 HARTON H LYNN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC., PO BOX 398

(Street)

BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2014

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 PRESIDENT & COO

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)
				(A) or (D)	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	09/13/2014	Â	F4	(1) D	\$ 5,441 18.31	D	Â
Common Stock	09/14/2014	Â	F4	(1) D	\$ 19,199 18.31	D	Â
Common Shares Issuable	10/01/2014	Â	A	(3) A	\$ 34 16.36	D	Â

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Common Shares Issuable	12/29/2014	Â	A	1 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	\$ 19.28	18,785 <sup>(2)</sup> <u>(4)</u>	D	Â
Common Stock (RSUs)	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	73,404	D	Â
Common Stock (PSUs)	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	121,276	D	Â

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. of
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						(A)	(D)		

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARTON H LYNN C/O UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. PO BOX 398 BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514	Â	Â	Â PRESIDENT & COO	Â

**Signatures**

Lois J. Rich as Attorney in Fact  
Date: 02/17/2015  
\*\*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 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") and performance-based Restricted Stock Units ("PSUs").
- (2) Reflects reclassification of RSUs and PSUs into Common Stock and Phantom Stock pursuant to the United Community Banks, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (3) Represents acquisition of Phantom Stock pursuant to the United Community Banks Deferred Compensation Plan. Phantom Stock is to be settled in shares of Common Stock, on a one-for-one basis, following the Reporting Person's termination of services.
- (4) On June 30, 2014, all Common Shares Issuable changed from a unitized fund, where settlement was based on NAV, to a share-for-share phantom stock fund.

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