

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GILBERT BILL M

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

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/27/2017

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
SVP, Director of Banking

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common Stock	01/27/2017		F		1,259 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 29 11,376 <u>(2)</u>
Common Shares Issuable							31,495.045 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>
Common Stock (PSUs)							6,160 <u>(2)</u>
Common Stock							14,905

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 performance-based Restricted Stock Units ("PSUs").
- (2) Reflects reclassification of PSUs into Phantom Stock pursuant to the United Community Banks, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan and into Common Stock.
- (3) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestment.

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