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BANCORPSOUTH INC Form 8-K September 19, 2014

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): September 19, 2014 (September 18, 2014)

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi (State or other jurisdiction

1-12991 (Commission 64-0659571 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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One Mississippi Plaza

201 South Spring Street

Tupelo, Mississippi 38804
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code (662) 680-2000

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

Section 5 Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On September 18, 2014, BancorpSouth, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the retirement of Gordon Lewis from his position as Senior Executive Vice President of the Company, effective as of December 12, 2014.

A copy of the press release announcing the retirement of Mr. Lewis is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Section 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release issued on September 18, 2014 by BancorpSouth, Inc.

SIGNATURES

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

BANCORPSOUTH, INC.

By: /s/ Cathy S. Freeman
Cathy S. Freeman
Senior Executive Vice President and
Chief Administrative Officer

Date: September 19, 2014

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit

Number Description

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