

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC
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FORM 4

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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

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(RSUs)

Common Stock	1,763.814	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock	177	I	Joanna R. Gilbert (Spouse)

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GILBERT BILL M C/O UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. PO BOX 398 BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514			SVP, Director of Banking	

Signatures

Lois J. Rich as Attorney in Fact 01/30/2017

 **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 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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