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March 25, 2013

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):
March 21, 2013

United Community Banks, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Georgia
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

No. 001-35095 (Commission File Number) No. 58-180-7304 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

125 Highway 515 East Blairsville, Georgia 30512 (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (706) 781-2265

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240-13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 22, 2013, United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Company") received a letter dated March 21, 2013 from the staff of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") stating that the SEC's investigation of the Company, primarily relating to the establishment of a deferred tax valuation allowance and the restatement of its financial statements, has been concluded and that the staff would not recommend any enforcement action by the SEC against United.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 News Release, dated March 25, 2013

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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.

UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC.

By: /s/ Rex S. Schuette

Rex S. Schuette

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 25, 2013