

BANK OF THE OZARKS INC  
Form 8-K  
December 17, 2010

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 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): December 17, 2010

**Bank of the Ozarks, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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**0-22759**  
(Commission File Number)

**71-0556208**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**17901 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**72223**  
(Zip Code)

**(501) 978-2265**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**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 (see General Instruction A.2.):

- ..  Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- ..  Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.**

On December 17, 2010 Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its wholly owned subsidiary, Bank of the Ozarks, entered into a purchase and assumption agreement on that date with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ( FDIC ) with respect to the FDIC-assisted acquisition by Bank of the Ozarks to purchase substantially all the assets and to assume all of the deposits and certain other liabilities of Chestatee State Bank, Dawsonville, Georgia (the Acquisition ). A copy of the press release has been attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated December 17, 2010 announcing the Acquisition issued by Bank of the Ozarks, Inc., the parent corporation of Bank of the Ozarks.

**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.

BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC.  
(Registrant)

Date: December 17, 2010

/s/ PAUL MOORE  
**Paul Moore**  
**Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer**

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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