

TALLENT JIMMY C  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
TALLENT JIMMY C

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)  
PO BOX 398  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/31/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) Amount  | 467,538 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock (RSU's)            |                                      |  |                                | (A) Amount  | 6,601 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock Issuable           |                                      |  |                                | (A) Amount  | 22,020 <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(3)</sup>  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                | (A) Amount  | 379 <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(6)</sup>   | I  | Jeanne Tallent (Spouse)                               |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) Amount  | 116,996.1 <sup>(6)</sup>  | I  | By 401k   |

Common  
Stock

Common  
Stock

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Jimmy C.  
Tallent CUST  
FBO [Minor  
Grandchildren]

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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Warrant to Purchase Common Stock           | \$ 20  | 10/31/2008                           |  | J <sup>(7)</sup>               | 8,750   | 10/31/2008 10/31/2013                                    | Common Stock  | 8,750                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                         | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| TALLENT JIMMY C<br>PO BOX 398<br>BLAIRSVILLE, GA 30514 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Lois J. Rich by Power of Attorney 02/13/2009

\_\_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) Reflects a 131/130 stock dividend in January 2009. Also includes reclassification of 150 shares from Mr. Tallent's Direct ownership to Indirect pursuant to a gift to a minor grandchild.
- (2) Reflects a 1,648 share reclassification from Mr. Tallent's Restricted Stock Units to Common Shares Issuable.
- (3) Acquired pursuant to The United Community Banks Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (4) Includes 379 shares owned by Mr. Tallent's spouse for which he claims beneficial ownership.
- (5) Includes 302 shares owned by Mr. Tallent's minor grandchildren for which he claims beneficial ownership.
- (6) Holding reflects a 131/130 stock dividend which occurred in January 2009.
- (7) United Community Banks, Inc. issued the warrant to purchase shares of its common stock in connection with the private placement of capital securities by a trust affiliate of United.

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