

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

Form 8-K

July 12, 2016

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 reported) July 11, 2016

American River Bankshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California 0-31525 68-0352144
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
Of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Ranch Cordova, California 95670
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 851-0123

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

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 11, 2016, the registrant executed a lease (the “Lease”) with DDS Properties, a California General Partnership. The Lease relates to office space to be occupied by the registrant’s banking division, American River Bank. The premises related to Lease is located at 2510 Douglas Boulevard, Roseville, California. The lease term begins on December 1, 2016 and ends on May 31, 2027. The term of the Lease is one hundred and twenty-six (126) months. The 2510 Douglas Boulevard location represents a relocation of the existing premises located at 2240 Douglas Boulevard, Roseville, California (“Former Location”). The lease on the Former Location is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2016, after such time the lease will not be renewed. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the Lease attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits

99.1 Office Lease between DDS Properties, a California General Partnership and American River Bank, a subsidiary of American River Bankshares.

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.

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

/s/ Mitchell A. Derenzo

July 12, 2016 Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer

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