FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BRADSHAW RICHARD						UN	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC [ UCBI ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS, INC. PO BOX 398						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2018									X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  PRES, COMM BANKING SOLUTIONS						
(Street) BLAIRSVILLE GA 30514  (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(0.5)					า-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	es Acc	uired.	Dis	posed o	f. o	r Ber	nefic	ially	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trai			2. Transa Date	nsaction :h/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				or 5. Am Secur Benet Owne		ount of ities icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common	mmon Stock 01/25/					/2018	2018			A		1,250	1,250 <sup>(1)</sup> A		1	60	21,471		D		
Common	Stock				01/25	/2018				F		459 <sup>(2)</sup>		D	\$3	2.17	.17 21,012 D				
Common	Stock (Re	stricted Sto	ck Units	)												9,388 D					
Common	Stock Issu	ıable														5,632.44 <sup>(3)</sup> D					
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Perivative Conversion Date Execution Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	on Date	е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		f g nstr. 3 mount	Deriv Secu	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Reflects vesting of performance-based Restricted Stock Units.
- 2. Reflects shares of United Community Banks, Inc. common stock withheld to satisfy tax obligations upon vesting of performance-based Restricted Stock Units.
- 3. Represents shares of United Community Banks, Inc. Common Stock issuable under its Deferred Compensation Plan.

## Remarks:

Lois J. Rich as Attorney in Fact 01/29/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CONSTITUTES AND APPOINTS (A) REX S. SCHUETTE; B) LOIS J. RICH; AND (C) LORRAINE G. MCKAY, SIGNING SINGLY, THE UNDERSIGNED'S TRUE AND LAWFUL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT TO:

- (1) Execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of United Community Banks, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) Take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause

to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE UNDERSIGNED HAS CAUSED THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY
TO BE EXECUTED AS OF THIS 19TH DAY OF MAY 2015.

/s/ RICHARD W. BRADSHAW Signature

RICHARD W. BRADSHAW

Print Name