FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     GILLILAND THOMAS C						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
GILLILAND THOMAS C					UCBI ]									)	Director			10% Ov	
(Last)	(F	irst)	(Middle)					Trans	nsaction (Month/Day/Year)					- ×	below)	Officer (give title below)  EVP, Corp Sec & Ger			specify
							06/04/2003								EVF, C	nerar Cou	115		
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 06/03/2003								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Appl Line)					
(City)	(State) (Zip)														X Form filed by One Reporting Persor Form filed by More than One Repor Person				
		Tal	ole I - Nor	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	oosed of	f, or Be	nef	cially	y Owned				
			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear)	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)			4 and Securitie Benefici Owned F		s ally following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Direct Indirect I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount	(A) or (D)		rice	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			
Common	Common Stock			06/03/2003				A		0	A		0	14,333	14,333.0382		D		
Common Stock				06/03/2003					P		0	A		0	6,2	6,270		I	Cust FBO Thomas C. Gilliland, Jr. (Son)
Common Stock				06/03/2003					P		0	A		0	6,270			I	Cust FBO Jason W. Gilliland (Son)
			Table II -								sed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed		4.	Can	5. Numb		6. Date Ex			7. Title a			8. Price of	9. Numbe	er of	10.	11. Nature
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Date,	Transa Code ( 8)		of Ex		Expiration (Month/Da	Date		Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		urity	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisabl	le I	Expiration Date	Title	or Nu of	nount mber ares					
Option to Purchase Common	24.58	05/30/2003 <sup>(1)</sup>			A	V	17,000		04/17/2004	(2)	04/17/2013	Common Stock		0	\$0	113,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Allocated on 5/30/03, pursuant to options granted by the Board of Directors on April 17, 2003.
- 2. 2003 Options vest over four consectutive years at 25% each anniversary date.

Thomas C. Gilliland 06/03/2003

\*\* 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).

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