FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  TALLENT JIMMY C				<u>UN</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC UCBI ]								5. Relationship of R (Check all applicabl X Director		olicable)	10% (			
(Last) PO BOX	`	(First)	1)	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2007								X	below) below)  President & CEO			
(Street) BLAIRSV (City)		GA (State		0514 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date			nth/Day/Year) if		Execution Date, r) if any		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr.		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	Code V Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(11150.4)		
Common Stock												Τ		4	18,095	D			
Common Stock (RSU's)														5,750	D				
Common Stock Issuable <sup>(1)</sup>													17	7,035(1)	D				
Common Stock													375		I	Jeanne Tallent (Spouse)			
Common Stock 12/17			12/17/2	2007			P		5,619	A	\$16	.3652	112,985.415		I	By 401k			
			Та	ble II -								osed of,				wned			
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Tr Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			4. Transa Code ( 8)	saction of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
						Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

1. Acquired pursuant to The United Community Banks Deferred Compensation Plan. The units are to be settled in United Community Banks common stock at the NAV after termination of employment.

## Remarks:

Lois J. Rich by Power of 12/17/2007 <u>Attorney</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY CONSTITUTES AND APPOINTS (A) REX S. SCHUETTE; (B) THOMAS C. GILLILAND; (C) LORRAINE G. MCKAY; AND (D) LOIS J. RICH, 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 20TH DAY OF AUGUST 2002.

/s/ Jimmy C. Tallent Signature

Jimmy C. Tallent

Print Name