FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FREEMAN GUY W						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC UCBI									all application	able)	g Perso	10% Ov	vner
(Last) PO BOX 1	,	rst) (I	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2006								X	Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President				ъреспу
(Street) BLAIRSV			0514 Zip)		4. If <i>i</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								. Indivine)	Form fil	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(3)		• • •	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curiti	es Aca	uired.	Disi	nosed of	or Ben	eficia	ally (Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2 er) if	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. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	s lly ollowing	Form (D) or	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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Common S	tock														2,116	2,116.648 ⁽¹⁾ I C. Freen			Elizabeth C. Freeman (Spouse)
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security	ise (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transactio Code (Insti		n of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye:		e	7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 a	ies g Securi	[3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e Coss Fully Do	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Convertible Subordinated Debenture ⁽²⁾	\$8.33	12/18/2006 ⁽²⁾			С			18,000	12/18/20	006	12/31/2006	Common Stock	30,00	00	\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ Includes \ 2,116.648 \ shares \ owned \ by \ Mr. \ Freeman's \ spouse \ for \ which \ he \ claims \ beneficial \ ownership.$
- 2. Pursuant to United Community Banks, Inc. Floating Rate Convertible Subordinated Payable in Kind Debenture, due December 31, 2006, called by the Company on December 18, 2006.

Remarks:

<u>Lois J. Rich by Power of Attorney</u> 12/18/2006

** 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) 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 26TH DAY OF AUGUST 2002.

/s/ Guy W. Freeman Signature

Guy W. Freeman

Print Name