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July 11, 2011

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 event July 8, 2011 reported)

First Reliance Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

South Carolina

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-49757 80-0030931

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2170 W. Palmetto Street

Florence, South Carolina 29501 (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(843) 656-5000

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Effective July 8, 2011, Craig S. Evans, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating and Chief Risk Officer, resigned in order to accept a position with an out-of-market financial institution. The Board of Directors thanks Mr. Evans for his service to First Reliance Bancshares, Inc.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST RELIANCE BANCSHARES, INC.

Dated: July 8, 2011 By: /s/ Jeffrey A. Paolucci

Jeffrey A. Paolucci Chief Financial Officer