

GILLILAND THOMAS C
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Gilliland, Thomas C.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol United Community Banks, Inc. (UCBI)				6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)			4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 01/08/03			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director —
PO Box 398									5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			EXEC VICE			
Blairsville, GA 30514						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
							Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock			10/4/02 ⁽¹⁾				P	V	31.0881	A	24.95	14,295.7065		D		n/a
Common Stock												6270		I		Thomas C. Gilliland Cust FBO Thomas C. Gilliland, Jr. (Son)
Common Stock												6270		I		Thomas C. Gilliland Cust FBO Jason W. Gilliland (Son)

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).

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Transactions on this Form 4 are pursuant to a pre-arranged dividend reinvestment agreement. Transactions were reported to insider on 1.8.03 from the account custodian.

By: /s/ **Thomas C. Gilliland**

01/08/03

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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