BANK OF THE OZARKS INC Form 8-K October 05, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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 reported): October 5, 2010

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas

(State of incorporation or other jurisdiction)

0-22759 (Commission File Number) 71-0556208 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

17901 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices)

72223 (Zip Code)

(501) 978-2265

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 5, 2010 director Steven Arnold resigned from the Board of Directors of Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. and its subsidiary bank effective immediately. Mr. Arnold had previously served as Senior Pastor of St. Mark Baptist Church in Little Rock, Arkansas, a position he reportedly resigned October 3, 2010.

While the Board of Directors has made no decision as to whether or not the resulting vacancy on the Board will be filled, there continues to be a majority of independent directors on the Board.

SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC. (Registrant)

Date: October 5, 2010

/s/ PAUL MOORE
Paul Moore
Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer