

FREEMAN GUY W  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FREEMAN GUY W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNITED COMMUNITY BANKS INC [UCBI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
PO BOX 1202  
(Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
(check applicable line)

BREVARD, NC 28712

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

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 and 5)	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	142,533 <sup>(1)</sup> / <sub>(2)</sub>	D	Â
Common Stock (RSU's)	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	25,717 <sub>(2)</sub>	D	Â
Common Shares Issuable	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	2,423 <sub>(2)</sub> <sub>(3)</sub>	D	Â

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Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	2,498 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Elizabeth C. Freeman (spouse)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	11,503 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By 401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D B O E I S F I (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREEMAN GUY W PO BOX 1202 BREVARD, NC 28712	Â	Â	Â	EVP Â

## Signatures

Lois J. Rich                      02/16/2010  
 \_\_Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Holding reflects 131/130 stock dividend which occurred in July and October 2009.
- (2) Holding reflects a reclassification of 1,817 RSU's to Direct on January 31, 2009; 1,168 RSU's to CSI on January 31, 2009; and 1,170 RSU's to CSI on May 20, 2009.
- (3)

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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.

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