### WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP INC

Form 8-K August 06, 2015

#### **UNITED STATES**

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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#### 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)

August 1, 2015

#### WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP, INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Rhode Island 001-32991 05-0404671

(State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

23 Broad Street, Westerly, Rhode Island 02891

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (401) 348-1200

Former name or address, if changed from last report: N/A

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:

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 1, 2015, the Corporation completed the acquisition of Halsey Associates, Inc. ("Halsey"), a registered investment adviser firm located in New Haven, CT. Halsey specializes in providing investment counseling services to high-net worth families, corporations, foundations and endowment clients.

The Corporation's press release dated August 6, 2015, announcing the completion of the acquisition is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

**Exhibits** 

99.1 Press Release issued by Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc., on August 6, 2015

## **SIGNATURES**

Date: August 6, 2015

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ David V. Devault

David V. Devault

Vice Chair, Secretary and Chief Financial Officer