
**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): March 17, 2014

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-34073
(Commission
File Number)

31-0724920
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

41 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio
(Address of principal executive offices)

43287
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 614-480-8300

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:

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 17, 2014, Huntington Bancshares Incorporated issued a press release announcing the appointment of Howell D. “Mac” McCullough III as senior executive vice president and chief financial officer. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit No.	–	Description
99.1	–	Press release dated March 17, 2014.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

March 17, 2014

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated

By: /s/ Richard A. Cheap

Name: Richard A. Cheap

Title: Secretary

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NEWS

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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**HUNTINGTON BANK APPOINTS HOWELL D. ‘MAC’ MCCULLOUGH III
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

*Veteran U.S. Bancorp executive to join Huntington and focus
on growing revenue and disciplined expense management*

Columbus, OHIO—Huntington Bancshares Inc.(NASDAQ: HBAN) has named Howell D. “Mac” McCullough III, senior executive vice president and chief financial officer, the corporation announced today. In his new role, McCullough will be responsible for finance, strategic planning, financial planning, mergers and acquisitions, investor relations, treasury, tax, and accounting. He will report directly to Stephen D. Steinour, chairman, president and CEO of Huntington.

McCullough has more than 30 years of broad experience in banking and finance. During the last seven years, he was the chief strategy officer at U.S. Bank where he was responsible for driving organic revenue growth, building new capabilities, advocating for customers and enabling innovation across the enterprise.

“We are delighted to add Mac to the senior management team at Huntington,” said Steinour. “He will be a significant strategic partner to all of our executives. He brings proven experience in growing revenue and disciplined expense management. Mac’s accomplishments at U.S. Bank have made it one of the leading banks in the United States. His demonstrated capabilities align with Huntington’s growth opportunities and aspirations.”

“I am delighted to join Huntington because of its growth potential and exceptional customer focus including its unique fair play consumer positioning and commitment to help small businesses,” said McCullough. “I think it is one of the strongest and most focused regional banks in the nation. I look forward to joining its management team who have positioned Huntington well for the future in a challenging banking environment.”

McCullough's experience at U.S. Bancorp includes leading strategy, online and mobile banking, organic revenue growth initiatives, mergers and acquisitions, investor relations, finance and planning and external reporting. He first joined U.S. Bancorp in 1993 and worked his way up the ranks to chief strategy officer. Immediately prior to that he was the chief financial officer for U.S. Bancorp's payment services division and was its director of investor relations from 2001 to 2005.

Before joining U.S. Bancorp, he was the director of corporate development at Huntington from 1992 to 1993 and served as a senior financial analyst at Huntington from 1991 to 1992. McCullough earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from The Ohio State University and an MBA in finance from The Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania.

About Huntington

Huntington Bancshares Incorporated is a \$59 billion regional bank holding company headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Huntington National Bank, founded in 1866, and its affiliates provide full-service commercial, small business, and consumer banking services; mortgage banking services; treasury management and foreign exchange services; equipment leasing; wealth and investment management services; trust services; brokerage services; customized insurance brokerage and service programs; and other financial products and services. The principal markets for these services are Huntington's six-state retail banking franchise: Ohio, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Indiana, West Virginia, and Kentucky. The primary distribution channels include a banking network of more than 700 traditional branches and convenience branches located in grocery stores and retirement centers, and through an array of alternative distribution channels including internet and mobile banking, telephone banking, and more than 1,500 ATMs. Through automotive dealership relationships within its six-state retail banking franchise area and selected other Midwest and New England states, Huntington also provides commercial banking services to the automotive dealers and retail automobile financing for dealer customers.