

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

Form 8-K

January 05, 2010

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 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 reported) January 4, 2010

American River Bankshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California

0-31525

68-0352144

(State or other jurisdiction
Of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 450, Rancho Cordova, California

95670

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 851-0123

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On January 4, 2010, the registrant, American River Bankshares, entered into a Customer Service Agreement (the Agreement) with TriNet HR Corporation (TriNet). The Agreement calls for TriNet to provide payroll, benefits, and employer-of-record services to American River Bankshares for a term of one (1) year. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the Agreement attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Customer Service Agreement with TriNet HR Corporation and American River Bankshares dated January 4, 2010.

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.

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/s/ Mitchell A. Derenzo

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Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer

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