

Item 5.02 (d) Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 31, 2017, the Board of Directors of United Security Bancshares (the "Company") and United Security Bank (the "Bank") appointed Benjamin Mackovak as director of the Company and Bank effective immediately.

There are no arrangements or understandings between Mr. Mackovak and any other persons pursuant to which he was selected as a director.

Mr. Mackovak is the Co-Founder and Managing Member of Strategic Value Bank Partners.

Mr. Mackovak was appointed to the Company's Compensation Committee and Corporate Governance and Nominating Committee, and the Bank's ALCO.

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Company's press release announcing the appointment is included as an exhibit.

Item 9.01 (d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release- Appointment of Benjamin Mackovak to Board of Directors

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.

United Security Bancshares

Date: February 3, 2017 By: /s/ Bhavneet Gill
Bhavneet Gill
Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer