

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
January 30, 2018

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): January 30, 2018

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Rhode Island 001-32991 05-0404671

(State or other jurisdiction of (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)  
incorporation)

23 Broad Street  
Westerly, Rhode Island 02891  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

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

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
- Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On January 30, 2018, Washington Trust Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release in which it disclosed unaudited financial information related to fourth quarter 2017 consolidated earnings. A copy of the press release relating to such announcement, dated January 30, 2018, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Pursuant to General Instructions B.2 of Form 8-K, this information shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Exhibit                               |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|
| <u>99.1</u> | Press release dated January 30, 2018* |

\*Filed herewith

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SIGNATURES

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.

Date: January 30, 2018 By: /s/ David V. Devault

David V. Devault

Vice Chair, Secretary and Chief Financial Officer