BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC. Form 8-K July 07, 2015

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): July 3, 2015

BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction 001-35522 (Commission 04-3639825 (IRS Employee

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

92612

18500 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1100, Irvine, California

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (855) 361-2262

N/A

(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 (see General Instructions A.2.):

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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 July 6, 2015, Banc of California, Inc. (the <u>Company</u>) issued a joint press release with Americas United Bank, announcing that the Company s wholly owned subsidiary, Banc of California, N.A. (the <u>Bank</u>), had entered into a definitive agreement dated July 3, 2015 for Americas United Bank to purchase two branch locations from the Bank, which are located in the cities of Commerce, California and Santa Fe Springs, California.

At the close of the transaction, Americas United Bank will assume the deposits and certain other liabilities associated with the branches, and acquire loans as well as the Bank s leasehold interests for the two branch locations, together with furniture, fixtures and equipment. The transaction is expected to close in the third quarter of 2015, subject to obtaining regulatory approvals and satisfaction of other conditions to closing.

A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

ExhibitNumberDescription99.1Press Release dated July 6, 2015.

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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.

BANC OF CALIFORNIA, INC.

By: /s/ Ronald J. Nicolas, Jr. Ronald J. Nicolas, Jr. Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Date: July 7, 2015

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated July 6, 2015.

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