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AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES Form 8-K December 20, 2007

> 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) December 20, 2007

American River Bankshares

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)

California	0-31525	68-0352144		
(State or other jurisdiction Of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)		

3100 Zinf	andel Dr	rive,	Suite 4	450,	Rancho	Cordova,	California	95	670
(Address	of princ	cipal	execut	ive	offices)			(Zip	Code)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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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

Registrant issued a press release December 20, 2007 announcing a \$0.15 cash dividend. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the press release attached here to as Exhibit 99.1.

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Item 9.01: Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Press release dated December 20, 2007

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.

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

December 20, 2007

/s/ MITCHELL A. DERENZO

Mitchell A. Derenzo,	Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Accountin	g and Financial Officer)

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