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PACIFIC PREMIER BANCORP INC Form 8-K December 23, 2014

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) December 23, 2014 (December 22, 2014) PACIFIC PREMIER BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 0-22193 33-0743196
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

17901 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1200, Irvine, CA
(Address of principal executive offices)

92614
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code(949) 864-8000

Not Applicable

(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 Instruction A.2. below):

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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 December 22, 2014, Pacific Premier Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it has received regulatory approval from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the California Department of Business Oversight for its acquisition of Independence Bank. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Information contained herein, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall such information and Exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference in

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any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated December 22, 2014 announcing that Pacific Premier Bancorp, Inc. has received regulatory approval from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco and the California Department of Business Oversight for its acquisition of Independence Bank. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

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.

PACIFIC PREMIER BANCORP, INC.

Dated: December 23, 2014 By: /s/ STEVE GARDNER

Steve Gardner

President and Chief Executive Officer