

SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES INC
Form 8-K
October 31, 2014

**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 event reported) October 31, 2014

Southern First Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

South Carolina

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

000-27719

(Commission File Number)

58-2459561

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

100 Verdae Boulevard, Suite 100, Greenville, SC

(Address of principal executive offices)

29606

(Zip Code)

(864) 679-9000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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 - o 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.

On October 31, 2014, Southern First Bancshares, Inc. (the Company) announced the commencement of an underwritten public offering of 1,200,000 shares of the Company s common stock through Sandler O Neill + Partners, L.P. The Company intends to grant the underwriter a 30-day option to purchase from the Company up to an additional 180,000 shares of common stock to cover over-allotments, if any. The shares will be issued pursuant to a prospectus supplement filed as part of an existing shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form S-3.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company announcing the commencement of the offering is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release dated October 31, 2014.

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.

SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES, INC.

By: /s/ R. Arthur Seaver, Jr.
Name: R. Arthur Seaver, Jr.
Title: Chief Executive Officer

October 31, 2014
