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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): June 9, 2011

Ameris Bancorp (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Georgia 001-13901 58-1456434 (State or Other (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer

Jurisdiction of Identification No.)

Incorporation)

310 First Street, S.E., Moultrie, Georgia

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (229) 890-1111

(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))

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Item 5.02. <u>Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.</u>

On June 9, 2011, Marc J. Bogan, Executive Vice President and Chief Retail Officer of Ameris Bancorp (the Company), tendered his resignation from the Company and Ameris Bank effective immediately so that he might pursue another business opportunity. Mr. Bogan s responsibilities will be assumed by the Company s executive team until the position is filled.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Company has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AMERIS BANCORP

By: /s/ Edwin W. Hortman, Jr. Edwin W. Hortman, Jr. President and Chief Executive Officer

Dated: June 10, 2011