COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES /

Form 10-K/A March 14, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-K/A Amendment No. 1

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2016

Commission File Number: 000-23575

COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California 77-0446957

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

445 Pine Avenue, Goleta, California 93117 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(805) 692-5821

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Securities registered under Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act:

Title of each class Name of each exchange on which registered Common Stock, No Par Value Nasdaq Global Market

Securities registered under Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the past 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes

No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files). Yes No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of the registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer (Do not check if smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act). Yes No

The aggregate market value of common stock, held by non-affiliates of the registrant was \$35,568,010 based on the June 30, 2016 closing price of \$7.36 per common share, as reported on the Nasdaq Global Market. For purposes of the foregoing computation, all executive officers, directors and five percent beneficial owners of the registrant are deemed to be affiliates. Such determination should not be deemed to be an admission that such executive officers, directors or five percent beneficial owners are, in fact, affiliates of the registrant.

As of February 24, 2017, 8,099,739 shares of the registrant's common stock were outstanding.

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the registrant's definitive proxy statement to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the 2017 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on or about May 25, 2017 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report. The proxy statement will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission not later than 120 days after the registrant's fiscal year ended December 31, 2016.

Explanatory Note

On March 3, 2017, Community West Bancshares ("us," "we," "our," "the Company, "or "Community West") filed its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 (the "Annual Report"). The Company is filing this Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A (this "Amendment No. 1") solely to replace Exhibit 32.1 thereto with the corrected version of that exhibited submitted herewith.

The original exhibit 32.1 mistakenly referenced the period covered by the Annual Report as being the year ended December 31, 2015. The correct period covered by the Annual Report is the year ended December 31, 2016.

The Company hereby amends the Annual Report by resubmitting the corrected version of Exhibit 32.1 with this Amendment No. 1 to correct this inadvertent clerical error. This Amendment does not reflect events occurring after the filing of the original Annual Report, and, other than amending the stated Exhibit, does not modify or update the disclosures in the original Annual Report in any way.

Pursuant to Rule 12b-15 of the Rules and Regulations under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), the Company has included with this Amendment No. 1 currently-dated certifications by the Company's principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as required by Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and (b).

This Amendment No. 1 only revises, amends and restates the specific portions of the Annual Report identified herein, and no other information in the Annual Report is amended hereby. Furthermore, neither this Amendment No. 1, nor any other portion of the Annual Report, has been updated to reflect other events occurring after the original date of the Annual Report or to modify or update those disclosures affected by subsequent events.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 of 15(d) of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES (Registrant)

Date: March 14, 2017 By:/s/ William R. Peeples

William R. Peeples Chairman of the Board

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