

NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC

Form 8-K

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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) March 6, 2017

**National Bankshares, Inc.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Virginia**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**0-15204**

(Commission File No.)

**54-1375874**

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**101 Hubbard Street**

**Blacksburg, VA 24060**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**(540) 951-6300**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report) **Not applicable**

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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. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT**

On June 22, 2016, National Bankshares, Inc. entered in an amendment of an existing salary continuation agreement with Lara E. Ramsey, Senior Vice President/Administration and Corporate Secretary of the Company. The named officer is part of a select group of Company or subsidiary executives who receive similar benefits under a salary continuation plan that is funded by an investment in Company or subsidiary owned life insurance policies on the lives of the executives. The officers and their beneficiaries are unsecured creditors of the Company and subsidiaries with respect to the benefits under the salary continuation plans.

Each of the salary continuation agreements provides an annual benefit for the officer at normal retirement age (age 65), that is payable for the greater of 15 years or the executive's lifetime. If the officer dies before receiving annual benefit for 15 years, the benefit is paid to the officer's beneficiary for the remainder of that period. A reduced benefit is payable upon the officer's early termination, disability or upon a change in control of the executive's employer. "Early termination", "disability" and "change in control" are each defined in the salary continuation agreements. A death benefit that is equal in amount to the retirement benefit is paid to the executive's beneficiary for 15 years in the event of the executive's death while an active employee. No benefit is payable if the officer is terminated for cause, as that term is defined in the agreement.

The amended salary continuation agreement with Ms. Ramsey provides that she will receive annual payments of \$42,000.00 beginning at normal retirement in 2033. At the time Ms. Ramsey entered into the original agreement and the First and Second Amendments, Ms. Ramsey was not a reportable officer of the Company.

A copy of the salary continuation agreement and any amendments thereto with Ms. Ramsey are attached as Exhibit 10(xviii).

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed with this Current Report pursuant to Item 5.02:

10.1 Salary Continuation Agreement and the First, Second and Third Amendment between National Bankshares, Inc. and Lara E. Ramsey.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements 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.

NATIONAL BANKSHARES, INC.

Date: March 6, 2017

By: /s/ JAMES G. RAKES  
James G. Rakes

Chairman

President and CEO

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