

UNITED BANKSHARES INC/WV
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ADAMS RICHARD M SR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITED BANKSHARES INC/WV [UBSI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
514 MARKET STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/04/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman of the Board & CEO

PARKERSBURG, WV 26101

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 11/04/2008 | 11/04/2008 | M | 24,000 A | \$ 27 555,070.84 | D | |
| Common Stock | 11/04/2008 | 11/04/2008 | S | 24,000 D | \$ 32.81 531,070.84 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 26,985.07 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By 401(k) ⁽¹⁾ |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,400 | I | By Corporation |
| Common Stock | | | | | 33,701.73 ⁽²⁾ | I | By Immediate Family |

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|---------------------------|-------|---|------------|
| Common Stock | 3,392 | I | Wife - IRA |
| Common Stock - Direct IRA | 3,857 | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | | Acquired (A) | or Disposed of (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 27 | 11/04/2008 | 11/04/2008 | M | 24,000 | | 11/05/1998 | 11/05/2008 | Common Stock | 24,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 25.63 | | | | | | 11/04/1999 | 11/04/2009 | Common Stock | 24,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 19.19 | | | | | | 11/02/2000 | 11/02/2010 | Common Stock | 24,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 27.12 | | | | | | 11/01/2001 | 11/01/2011 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 29.37 | | | | | | 11/08/2002 | 11/08/2012 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 30.2 | | | | | | 11/06/2003 | 11/06/2013 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 36.71 | | | | | | 11/04/2004 | 11/04/2014 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 37.19 | | | | | | 11/03/2005 | 11/03/2015 | Common Stock | 30,000 |
| Stock Option | \$ 27.77 | | | | | | 11/01/2007 | 11/01/2017 | Common Stock | 30,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ADAMS RICHARD M SR 514 MARKET STREET PARKERSBURG, WV 26101 | X | | Chairman of the Board & CEO | |

Signatures

By: Jennie S Singer, Lmted POA,
Attorney-in-Fact

11/04/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes additional shares acquired under the UBSI 401K plan since the date of the reporting person's last 401K ownership report.
 - (2) Additional stock acquired in the Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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