REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/ Form 8-K July 14, 2006

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

601 West Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): July 13, 2006

REPUBLIC BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Kentucky 0-24649 61-0862051

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (502) 584-3600

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):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

40202

(zip code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- 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 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Republic Bancorp (Nasdaq:RBCAA) today announced that its Executive Vice President & Chief Lending Officer, Jeff Norton, has resigned from the Company effective immediately in order to pursue other opportunities. Mr. Norton has served in this capacity since January 2006.

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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.

Republic Bancorp, Inc.

(Registrant)

Date: July 14, 2006 By: /s/ Kevin Sipes

Kevin Sipes Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

& Chief Accounting Officer

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