

REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/  
Form 8-K  
January 27, 2016

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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): January 27, 2016

**REPUBLIC BANCORP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <u>Kentucky</u>                                   | <u>0-24649</u>           | <u>61-0862051</u>                       |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |

601 West Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202  
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

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):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

On January 27, 2016, Republic Bancorp, Inc. announced its first quarter 2016 cash dividend. The public announcement was made by means of a news release, the text of which is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Republic Bancorp, Inc. News Release dated January 27, 2016.

The information in this Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liability of such section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing of Republic Bancorp, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.

**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: January 27, 2016 By: /s/ Kevin Sipes

Kevin Sipes  
Executive Vice President,  
Chief Financial  
Officer & Chief  
Accounting Officer

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.   Description of Exhibit

99.1        News Release dated January 27, 2016. Filed herewith.