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Form 8-K March 20, 2008

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 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 earli	est reported) March 2	0, 2008			
American River Bankshares					
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter)					
California	0-31525	68-0352144			
(State or other jurisdiction Of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Emplo Identificat			
3100 Zinfandel Drive, Suite 4	50, Rancho Cordova, Cali		95670		
(Address of principal executi			(Zip Code)		
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 851		0123			
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:					
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Item 8.01: Other Events

Registrant issued a press release March 20, 2008 announcing a \$0.15 cash dividend. The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the press release attached here to as Exhibit 99.1.

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Item 9.01: Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Press release dated March 20, 2008

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.

AMERICAN RIVER BANKSHARES

/s/ Mitchell A. Derenzo

March 20, 2008 Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)

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