

COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES /  
Form 8-K  
February 22, 2017  
**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): February 22, 2017

Commission File Number: **000-23575**

**COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

California  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

77-0446957  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

445 Pine Avenue, Goleta, California  
(Address of principal executive offices)

93117  
(Zip code)

(805) 692-5821  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

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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. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On February 22, 2017, Community West Bancshares, parent company of Community West Bank (Bank), today announced that Charles (Chick) G. Baltuskonis plans to retire in July 2017. Prior to his retirement, he will step down as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Baltuskonis will assist in the transition to the successor Chief Financial Officer.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated February 22, 2017, titled “Community West Bancshares Announces CFO Baltuskonis to Retire July 2017.”

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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.

COMMUNITY WEST BANCSHARES

Date: February 22, 2017

By: /s/ Martin E. Plourd  
Martin E. Plourd  
Chief Executive Officer and President