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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 earliest reported) December 6, 2004 American River Bankshares (Exact name of registrant as specified in its chapter) California 0-31525 68-0352144 1545 River Park Drive, Suite 107, Sacramento, California 1545 River Park Drive, Suite 107, Sacramento, California _____ (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code (916) 565-6100 _____ 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: [] Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR [] Solicitation material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) [] 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

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Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposal of Assets.

Registrant issued a press release December 6, 2004, "American River Bankshares Announces Completion of Merger With Bank of Amador". The foregoing description is qualified by reference to the press release attached here to as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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(c) Exhibits

(99.1) Press release dated December 6, 2004

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

December 6, 2004 Mitchell A. Derenzo, Chief Financial Officer

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