

SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
October 31, 2014

**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 event reported) October 31, 2014

**Southern First Bancshares, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**South Carolina**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**000-27719**

(Commission File Number)

**58-2459561**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**100 Verdae Boulevard, Suite 100, Greenville, SC**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**29606**

(Zip Code)

**(864) 679-9000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**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)
  - o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
- 

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On October 31, 2014, Southern First Bancshares, Inc. (the Company ) announced the commencement of an underwritten public offering of 1,200,000 shares of the Company s common stock through Sandler O Neill + Partners, L.P. The Company intends to grant the underwriter a 30-day option to purchase from the Company up to an additional 180,000 shares of common stock to cover over-allotments, if any. The shares will be issued pursuant to a prospectus supplement filed as part of an existing shelf registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form S-3.

A copy of the press release issued by the Company announcing the commencement of the offering is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**ITEM 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number   Description

99.1   Press Release dated October 31, 2014.

**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.

**SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES, INC.**

By: /s/ R. Arthur Seaver, Jr.  
Name: R. Arthur Seaver, Jr.  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

October 31, 2014

---