

REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
March 06, 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  
February 28, 2017  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)  
REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania                      000-17007      23-2486815  
(State or other jurisdiction      (Commission      (IRS Employer  
of incorporation)                      File Number)      Ident. No.)

50 South 16th Street, Philadelphia,                      19102  
Pennsylvania  
(Address of principal executive offices)      (Zip Code)

(215) 735-4422  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code

N/A  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last  
report.)

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

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(b) On February 28, 2017, Robert J. Coleman, a Class II director of Republic First Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company"), provided the Company notice of his resignation from the board of directors, effective immediately. Mr. Coleman has decided to retire from his position on the board for health reasons. He served on the board of directors of the Company and its wholly owned banking subsidiary, Republic Bank, since 2003. Mr. Coleman's resignation did not result from a disagreement on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices. Also, on February 28, 2017, the board of directors of the Company elected Lisa R. Jacobs as a Class II director of the Company, effective immediately, to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Mr. Coleman. Ms. Jacobs is a partner at DLA Piper, a leading global law firm specializing in business law. There were no arrangements or understandings between Ms. Jacobs and any other persons pursuant to which she was selected as a director.

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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.

REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP,  
INC.

Dated: March 6, 2017

By: /s/ Frank A. Cavallaro  
Frank A. Cavallaro  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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