

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 9, 2009

MACATAWA BANK CORPORATION

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Michigan
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

000-25927
(Commission File No.)

38-3391345
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

10753 Macatawa Drive, Holland, MI
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

49424
(Zip Code)

(616) 820-1444
(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if changed Since Last Report)

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425).
 - Soliciting 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 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.

Effective February 9, 2009, Mr. Benj. A. Smith, III resigned as the Chief Executive Officer of Macatawa Bank Corporation (the "Corporation") and also resigned as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Mr. Smith continues as a director of the Corporation and of Macatawa Bank. He will also continue as an employee as contemplated by his existing employment agreement.

Mr. Robert E. DenHerder has been appointed Chairman of the Board of Directors of Macatawa Bank Corporation, effective February 9, 2009.

Mr. Ronald L. Haan and Mr. Philip J. Koning have each been appointed to the newly created Office of the Chief Executive, also effective February 9, 2009.

Mr. Haan has been also been appointed to the Corporation's Board of Directors, for a term to expire at the Corporation's 2009 annual meeting of shareholders. At the Corporation's 2009 annual meeting he would be eligible for election to the Board of Directors if nominated for the position and elected by the Corporation's shareholders. There is no arrangement or understanding pursuant to which Mr. Haan was selected as a director. Mr. Haan has not been appointed to any committees of the Corporation's Board of Directors.

In addition, the board of directors elected Mr. Haan as Secretary and Treasurer of the Corporation effective February 9, 2009. Philip J. Koning had previously served as the Secretary and Treasurer of the Corporation, and resigned those positions as of February 9, 2009. Mr. Koning will continue as the President of the Corporation.

Mr. Ronald L. Haan, age 55, has served as Executive Vice President of Macatawa Bank (a subsidiary of Macatawa Bank Corporation) since September, 2005. Prior to September 2005, Mr. Haan was employed as an Executive Vice President of Fifth Third Bank.

Mr. Philip J. Koning, age 54, has served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Macatawa Bank since its inception in November, 1997. Mr. Koning is as a director of both the Corporation and Macatawa Bank and serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Macatawa Bank.

There are no family relationships between any director, executive officer, or person appointed to be an executive officer or director of the Corporation.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated February 10, 2009

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MACATAWA BANK CORPORATION

Dated: February 10, 2009

By /s/ Jon W. Swets

Jon W. Swets
Chief Financial Officer

NEWS RELEASE

NASDAQ NATIONAL MARKET: MCBC
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Macatawa Bank Corp. Announces Leadership Changes

Holland, Michigan, February 10, 2009 — Macatawa Bank Corp. today announced leadership changes at the board and executive level, including the resignation of Benj. A Smith III as Chairman and CEO. Smith will continue to serve as director of the holding company and the bank.

Robert E. DenHerder, currently a Director of the holding company and Macatawa Bank, has stepped into the role of chairman. Bank President Phillip J. Koning and Ronald L. Haan, Executive Vice President, will share the newly created post of Office of the Chief Executive. In this role, they will be responsible for providing strategic direction, ongoing leadership and day-to-day operational oversight of Macatawa Bank Corp.

Smith, who founded Macatawa Bank in 1997, will continue to serve his current term on the holding company and bank boards of directors. He will remain an employee of the bank, serving in an advisory role to support the management team.

Haan, who joined Macatawa in 2005, was also appointed to the Corporation's Board of Directors. Additionally, Haan will serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the Corporation.

"For the past decade, Ben has been the driving force behind the establishment of Macatawa as the community bank in West Michigan," DenHerder said. "Through his leadership and vision, he has built a thriving franchise that has truly changed the way banking is done in our community.

"In Phil, Ron and other leaders, Ben has assembled a management team who can now guide the bank through its next phase of growth. Ben's leadership during Macatawa's formative years has been critical to our success, providing the bank with a strong foundation on which to build. His contributions have been immeasurable."

Backed by more than 30 years of banking experience, Smith launched Macatawa Bank in November 1997 with the goal of providing superior financial products and excellent customer service to residents, businesses and organizations in West Michigan. From a single branch and 10 employees, Macatawa Bank has grown to 26 locations, more than 400 employees and more than \$2.10 billion in assets.

In 2006, Smith duplicated his successful community banking model to Clearwater, Fla., where he established Florida Shores Bank. Florida Shores is a full-service commercial bank that has grown to four locations, with two more expected to open in the first half of this year.

"As a significant shareholder of Macatawa, I am – and will – remain its single biggest supporter," Smith said. "In recent years, I have divided my time between the operations in West Michigan and South Florida.

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“As a mature operation, Macatawa has a good board and management team that I believe will enable it to weather the challenges that all financial institutions now face. The time has come for me to focus more closely on the Florida group to develop their talents and resources. Macatawa Bank remains in good hands, and I am proud of the results that we have achieved and the impact that we have had on the community.”

DenHerder is a founding director of Macatawa Bank Corp. and Macatawa Bank. He and his family have deep roots in local community banking that go back several generations. Members of the DenHerder family were shareholders and involved in executive management at First Michigan Bank Corp., a West Michigan community bank that was sold to a large, regional bank shortly before Macatawa was founded.

DenHerder currently serves as president of Premovation Audio, a Holland-based company that provides custom sales and installation of audio and video equipment. He spent nearly two decades as president of Uniform Color Co., a Holland manufacturer of color concentrates for the plastics industry.

About Macatawa Bank

Headquartered in Holland, Michigan, Macatawa Bank Corporation is the parent company for Macatawa Bank. Through its banking subsidiary, the Corporation offers a full range of banking, investment and trust services to individuals, businesses, and governmental entities from a network of 26 full service branches located in communities in Kent County, Ottawa County, and northern Allegan County. Services include commercial, consumer and real estate financing; business and personal deposit services, ATM's and Internet banking services, trust and employee benefit plan services, and various investment services. The Corporation emphasizes its local management team and decision making, along with providing customers excellent service and superior financial products.

"CAUTIONARY STATEMENT: This press release contains certain forward-looking statements that involve risks and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, economic, competitive, governmental and technological factors affecting our operations, markets, products, services, and pricing. These statements include, among others, statements related to capital raising activities, dividends, future growth and funding sources, future profitability levels, the effects on earnings of changes in interest rates and the future level of other revenue sources. Annualized growth rates are not intended to imply future growth at those rates. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this press release. Further information concerning our business, including additional factors that could materially affect our financial results, is included in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission."

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