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):

May 22, 2006

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction

1-7476 (Commission 63-0591257 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)
AMSOUTH CENTER

Identification No.)

1900 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive office)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (205) 320-7151

Not applicable

(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))

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On May 22, 2006, AmSouth Bancorporation (AmSouth) issued a press release announcing that Alton E. Yother has been named Chief Financial Officer. Mr. Yother has been AmSouth s controller and principal accounting officer since 2004. Effective April 4, 2006, he assumed the additional duties of chief financial officer on an interim basis. Prior to joining AmSouth, he served as senior financial officer of SouthTrust Corporation.

A copy of the press release issued by AmSouth announcing Mr. Yother s appointment as chief financial officer is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 99.1 Press Release dated May 22, 2006

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.

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION

By: /s/ John D. Buchanan Name: John D. Buchanan

Title: Executive Vice President,

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: May 22, 2006