

SHORE BANCSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
November 17, 2011  
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): November 16, 2011

SHORE BANCSHARES, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	0-22345 (Commission file number)	52-1974638 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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18 East Dover Street, Easton, Maryland 21601  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (410) 763-7800

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))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On November 16, 2011, Shore Bancshares, Inc. (the “Company”) entered into a letter agreement (the “Warrant Repurchase Agreement”) with the United States Department of the Treasury( the “Treasury”). Pursuant to the Warrant Repurchase Agreement, the Company repurchased from the Treasury a common stock purchase warrant (the “Warrant”) that was issued in connection with the Company’s January 9, 2009 participation in the Treasury’s Troubled Asset Relief Program Capital Purchase Program (the “TARP CPP”). Under the Warrant, the Treasury had the right, exercisable at any time on or before January 9, 2019, to purchase 172,970 shares of the common stock of the Company, par value \$.01 per share, at an exercise price of \$21.68 per share. The Company paid \$25,000 to repurchase the Warrant from the Treasury, which has been canceled. The repurchase price was based on the fair market value of the Warrant as agreed upon by the Company and the Treasury. With the repurchase of the Warrant, the Company concluded its participation in the TARP CPP. The above discussion is only a summary of, and is qualified in its entirety by, the terms of the Warrant Repurchase Agreement, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

10.1 Letter Agreement, dated as of November 16, 2011, between the United States Department of the Treasury and Shore Bancshares, Inc. (filed herewith).

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

SHORE BANCSHARES, INC.

Dated: November 16, 2011

By: /s/ W. Moorhead Vermilye  
W. Moorhead Vermilye  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

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