

WESTAMERICA BANCORPORATION

Form 8-K

January 26, 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event Reported): January 26, 2017

Westamerica Bancorporation
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

California
(State or Other Jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

001-09383
(Commission File Number)

94-2156203
(I.R.S. Employer Identification
Number)

1108 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, California 94901
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(707) 863-6000
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 26, 2017, the Registrant issued a press release, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1. Press release dated January 26, 2017

SIGNATURE

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.

Westamerica Bancorporation

Date: January 26, 2017

By: /s/ John "Robert" Thorson
John "Robert" Thorson
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer