

Triumph Bancorp, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
March 30, 2016

**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): March 30, 2016**

**Triumph Bancorp, Inc.**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Texas**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**12700 Park Central Drive, Suite 1700**

**001-36722**  
**(Commission**

**File No.)**

**20-0477066**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**75251**

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**Dallas, Texas**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(214) 365-6900**

**(Zip Code)**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2 below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2b)
- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4c)

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

On March 30, 2016, Triumph Bancorp, Inc. (the Company ), entered into amended and restated employment agreements with each of Aaron P. Graft (President and Chief Executive Officer), R. Bryce Fowler (Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer), and Gail Lehmann (Vice President and Secretary) with retroactive effect to January 1, 2016 (the Effective Date ).

The employment agreements have an initial term of one year commencing on the Effective Date, subject to automatic renewal for successive one year terms unless either party delivers 60 days prior written notice of non-renewal (and, in the event that a change in control occurs during the then-current term, such term shall be extended to end no earlier than the second anniversary of the change in control). Each employment agreement provides for an annual base salary, which may be increased or decreased during the term, in the amount of \$427,500 for Mr. Graft, \$292,500 for Mr. Fowler and \$240,000 for Ms. Lehmann, and specifies that the executive is eligible to participate in the annual and long-term incentive programs maintained by the Company to the same extent as other executives of the Company.

Either the Company or the executive may terminate the executive's employment prior to the expiration of the then-current term in accordance with the terms and conditions of the employment agreement, and if such termination of employment is by the Company without cause or by the executive for good reason (a qualifying termination ), then the executive shall be entitled to receive, subject to execution and non-revocation of a release of claims in favor of the Company, cash severance in the amount of 1.5 times base salary for Mr. Graft, 1.25 times base salary for Mr. Fowler, and 1.0 times base salary for Ms. Lehmann, as well as, in each case, healthcare coverage continuation for a period of 18 months. However, if the qualifying termination occurs within 24 months following a change in control, then the cash severance amount is increased to a multiple of base salary plus the trailing 3-year average bonus (3 times for Mr. Graft, 2.5 times for Mr. Fowler and 2 times for Ms. Lehmann) and the healthcare coverage continuation period is increased to 36 months for Mr. Graft and Mr. Fowler and 24 months for Ms. Lehmann. The employment agreements contain a better net after-tax cutback provision in respect of the excise tax imposed under Sections 280G and 4999 of the tax code, pursuant to which the executive's change in control-related payments and benefits will be reduced to the extent necessary to prevent any portion of such payments and benefits from becoming subject to the excise tax, but only if, by reason of that reduction, the net after-tax benefit received by the executive exceeds the net after-tax benefit that the executive would receive if no reduction was made.

The employment agreements also contain certain restrictive covenants, including a perpetual confidentiality covenant, and non-compete, employee, client, and investor non-solicit, and business non-interference covenants that apply during employment and for the one-year period immediately following termination of employment for any reason.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

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<b>No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
10.1	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated March 30, 2016, by and between Triumph Bancorp, Inc. and Aaron P. Graft.
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10.3	Amended and Restated Employment Agreement, dated March 30, 2016, by and between Triumph Bancorp, Inc. and R. Bryce Fowler.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this Current Report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

**TRIUMPH BANCORP, INC.**

Date: March 30, 2016

By: /s/ Adam D. Nelson

Name: Adam D. Nelson

Title: Senior Vice President & General Counsel

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