

FIRST PACTRUST BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
September 21, 2012

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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): September 21, 2012

Commission File Number: 00049806

First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc.  
(Exact name of small business issuer as specified in its charter)

Maryland  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)  
043639825  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

18500 Von Karman Ave, Suite 1100, Irvine, California 92612  
(Address of principal executive offices)

949-236-5211  
(Registrant's Telephone number)

Not Applicable  
(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):

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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 8.01 Other Events.**

On September 21, 2012, First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") announced certain changes with respect to the senior management of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, PacTrust Bank, a federally chartered stock savings bank. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

See Exhibit Index.

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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.

First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc.

Date: *September 21, 2012*

By: */s/ Richard Herrin*

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*Name: Richard Herrin*

*Title: Executive Vice President, Chief  
Administrative Officer and Corporate  
Secretary*

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
EX-99.1	Press Release of First PacTrust Bancorp, Inc., dated September 21, 2012