

COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES INC

Form 4

June 11, 2008

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WRIGHT O RICHARD JR**

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
**COOPERATIVE BANKSHARES  
INC [COOP]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**201 MARKET STREET**

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**06/09/2008**

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

**WILMINGTON, NC 28401**

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Common<br>Stock                       | 06/09/2008                              |   | A <sup>(1)</sup>                     | 1,017 A \$ 8.02   | 1,017 <sup>(1)</sup>   | I   | By Director<br>Retirement<br>Plan  |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 06/09/2008                              |   | A <sup>(1)</sup>                     | 3,707 A \$<br>8.2989  | 4,724 <sup>(1)</sup>   | I   | By Director<br>Retirement<br>Plan  |
| Common<br>Stock                       |   |   |                                      |   | 48,704 <sup>(2)</sup>  | D   |  |
| Common<br>Stock                       |   |   |                                      |   | 51,692   | I   | By 401(k)  |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--------------------|---|--|---|
|   |  |   |   | Code                                 | V (A) (D)  | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 4.92  |   |   |                                      |  | 07/15/1999 <sup>(3)</sup>                                      | 07/15/2009         | Common<br>Stock   | 8,000                                  |   |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 12  |   |   |                                      |  | 12/29/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>                                      | 12/29/2014         | Common<br>Stock   | 4,500                                  |   |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                | \$ 13.77   |   |   |                                      |  | 12/14/2005 <sup>(3)</sup>                                      | 12/14/2015         | Common<br>Stock   | 3,000                                  |   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| WRIGHT O RICHARD JR<br>201 MARKET STREET<br>WILMINGTON, NC 28401 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Wright, Jr., O.  
Richard 06/11/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting  
Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- Represents an open market purchase of shares of Cooperative Bankshares, Inc. common stock by the trustee of the trust of the Cooperative Bankshares, Inc. Stock-Based Retirement Plan for Directors on behalf of the Reporting Person who is a participant in the plan. Shares credited to the account of a director under the Cooperative Bankshares, Inc. Stock-Based Retirement Plan for Directors may not be sold, assigned, transferred, disposed of, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise encumbered. Distributions from a director's account shall commence only upon (i) the director's separation from service from the Company for any reason (including resignation or death), or (ii) a specified number of years between one year and five years after the director's separation from service from the Company.
- (1)
- (2) Reflects stock acquired through Cooperative Bankshares Dividend Reinvestment Plan exempt from reporting under Rule 16a-11.
- (3) Stock Options fully vested on date of grant.

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