

FIRST MARINER BANCORP
Form 8-K
March 24, 2014

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 12, 2014**

FIRST MARINER BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Maryland
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

000-21815
(Commission
File Number)

52-1834860
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1501 S. Clinton Street, Baltimore, MD 21224

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(410) 342-2600**

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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 February 13, 2014, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland (the Bankruptcy Court) entered an Interim Order Establishing Notification and Hearing Procedures for Transfers of Certain Equity Securities, and Granting Related Relief (the Interim Order) (*In re First Mariner Bancorp.*, No. 14-11952 (DER), Dkt. No. 47 (Bankr. D. Md. Feb. 13, 2014)). On March 12, 2014, the Bankruptcy Court approved the Interim Order on a final basis (the Final Order). The Final Order establishes notice procedures to govern certain transfers of First Mariner Bancorp 's equity securities, as well as procedures for objecting to such transfers in certain circumstances, and provides that transfers of First Mariner Bancorp equity securities in violation of such procedures are void. The Final Order will continue until modified or terminated by the Bankruptcy Court.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Order Establishing Notification and Hearing Procedures for Transfers of Certain Equity Securities, and Granting Related Relief

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 MARINER BANCORP

Date: March 24, 2014

/s/ Paul B. Susie
Paul B. Susie
Chief Financial Officer