## 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): December 19, 2014

AMERICAN NATIONAL BANKSHARES INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 0-12820 (Commission File Number) 628 Main Street, Danville, VA 24541 54-1284688 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 434-792-5111

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:

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- O Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13a-4(c))

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

On December 16, 2014, the Board of Directors of American National Bankshares Inc. (the "Company"), parent company of American National Bank and Trust Company (the "Bank"), approved the following executive changes:

1. Charles H. Majors will retire from his role as Executive Chairman of the Company and the Bank on December 31, 2014. He will become the non-executive Chairman of the Board of the Company and the Bank effective January 1, 2015.

2. R. Helm Dobbins, Dabney T.P. Gilliam Jr., H. Gregg Strader and William W. Traynham have been named Executive Vice Presidents of the Company effective January 1, 2015.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits:

99.1 News Release

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.

Date: December 19, 2014

<u>/s/ William W. Traynham</u> Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer