SUPERIOR BANCORP Form 8-K October 13, 2009

## 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): October 6, 2009

#### SUPERIOR BANCORP

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation

0-25033 63-1201350 (Commission (IRS Employer File Number) Identification No.)

17 North 20th Street, Birmingham, Alabama (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

35203 Zip Code)

(205) 327-1400 (Registrant's Telephone Number, including Area Code)

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:

- " 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-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communication pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 5 — Corporate Governance and Management

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

On October 6, 2009, the Board of Directors of Superior Bancorp, acting on the recommendation of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of the Board, appointed K. Earl Durden to serve as a director of Superior Bancorp and its subsidiary, Superior Bank, for a term expiring at the 2010 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Superior Bancorp. Mr. Durden has not yet been appointed to any committees of the Board of Directors.

Section 7 — Regulation FD

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 13, 2009, Superior Bancorp issued a press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Durden to the Board of Directors. The text of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99. This information is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, unless we specifically incorporate it by reference in a document filed under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. By filing this report on Form 8-K and furnishing this information, we make no admission as to the materiality of any information in this report that is required to be disclosed solely by reason of Regulation FD.

Section 9 — Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99

Press Release of Superior Bancorp dated October 13, 2009.

#### **SIGNATURE**

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.

#### SUPERIOR BANCORP

By: /s/ C. Stanley Bailey
C. Stanley Bailey
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: October 13, 2009

#### INDEX TO EXHIBITS

Exhibit No. Description

99 Press Release of Superior Bancorp dated October 13, 2009.