

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

Form 8-K

June 20, 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): June 18, 2014

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 0-18630 95-4274680
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer
of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

777 North Broadway, Los Angeles, California 90012
(Address of principal executive office) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (213) 625-4700

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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

On June 18, 2014, Peter Wu gave notice of his intention to retire from the position of Chief Operating Officer of Cathay General Bancorp (the “Company”) and of Cathay Bank, a subsidiary of the Company, effective July 1, 2014. His resignation was accepted by the boards of directors of the Company and of Cathay Bank on June 19, 2014. While he will no longer hold his position of Chief Operating Officer, he will continue as an Executive Vice Chairman and a director of the Company and of Cathay Bank. His employment will continue for which he will receive an annual salary of \$200,000, but he will not be involved in the day-to-day management of the Company or of Cathay Bank.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 20, 2014

CATHAY GENERAL BANCORP

By: /s/ Heng W. Chen
Heng W. Chen
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer