

FIRST RELIANCE BANCSHARES INC  
Form 8-K  
April 01, 2008

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 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 31, 2008

**First Reliance Bancshares, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

**South Carolina**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**000-49757**

(Commission File Number)

**80-0030931**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**2170 W. Palmetto Street  
Florence, South Carolina**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**29501**

(Zip Code)

**(843) 656-5000**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**South Carolina**

(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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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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**

Elliot Davis, LLC, an independent registered public accounting firm, has consented to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Nos. 333-100282, 333-109020 and 333-131698), and in the related prospectuses, of their report, dated March 25, 2008, relating to the consolidated financial statements of First Reliance included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 31, 2008.

**Item 9.01.**

**Financial Statements and Exhibits**

The following exhibit is filed as part of this Report.

**Exhibit No. Description**

23.1 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

**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 thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST RELIANCE BANCSHARES, INC.

Dated: April 1, 2008

By: /s/ Jeffrey A. Paolucci

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Jeffrey A. Paolucci  
Chief Financial Officer