

COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM INC  
Form 8-K  
January 29, 2004

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

January 29, 2004

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## COLUMBIA BANKING SYSTEM, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Washington

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-20288  
(Commission File Number)

91-1422237  
IRS Employer Identification No.

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1301 A Street

Tacoma, WA 98402

(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (253) 305-1900

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**Item 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL RESULTS**

On January 29, 2004, we issued a press release announcing our full year and fourth quarter 2003 financial results. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

Exhibits

- 99.1 Press Release dated January 29, 2004 announcing Full Year and Fourth Quarter 2003 Financial Results.

