PACWEST BANCORP Form 8-K November 18, 2016

UNITED STATES					
SECURITIES	AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION				

WASHINGTON, DC 20549					
FORM 8-K					

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 17, 2016

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

PacWest Bancorp

 $(Exact\ Name\ of\ Registrant\ as\ Specified\ in\ its\ Charter)$

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-36408 (Commission File Number) 33-0885320 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

9701 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 700 Beverly Hills, California (Address of Principal Executive Office)

90212 (Zip Code)

(310) 887-8500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(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 November 17, 2016, Ms. Lynn Hopkins and PacWest Bancorp (the Company) entered into an agreement with respect to her resignation as Chief Accounting Officer and Executive Vice President of the Company effective no later than February 28, 2017. Pursuant to the agreement, Ms. Hopkins will be paid the following amounts (subject to her execution and non-revocation of a release): severance of \$1,244,000; a 2016 bonus of \$210,000; and continuation of her medical and other welfare coverage for up to 24 months following her separation date. Ms. Hopkins will forfeit any unvested equity-based awards on her separation date.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

PacWest Bancorp

Date: November 18, 2016 By: /s/ Kori L. Ogrosky

Name: Kori L. Ogrosky

Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary