Section 1: 8-K (BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC. 8-K)

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): July 19, 2011

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Arkansas

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-22759

(Commission File Number)

71-0556208 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

17901 Chenal Parkway, Little Rock, Arkansas (Address of principal executive offices)

72223 (Zip Code)

(501) 978-2265

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (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.):

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 communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

Two-for-One Stock Split

On July 19, 2011 Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. (the "Company") announced that its Board of Directors declared a two-for-one stock split of the Company's common stock in the form of a 100% stock dividend, payable on or about August 16, 2011 to shareholders of record at the close of business on August 5, 2011. The Company's common stock is expected to begin trading on a split-adjusted basis on or about August 17, 2011. The stock split will increase the Company's total shares of common stock currently outstanding from approximately 17,128,000 shares to approximately 34,256,000 shares.

A copy of the press release announcing the two-for-one stock split is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01	Financial Statements and Exhibits
(d)	Exhibits
99.1	Press release dated July 19, 2011: Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Announces Two-for-One Stock Split

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

BANK OF THE OZARKS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: July 19, 2011

/s/ Greg L. McKinney Greg L. McKinney Chief Financial Officer and Chief Accounting Officer

Exhibit No.Document Description99.1Press Release dated July 19, 2011: Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Announces Two-for-One Stock Split

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Section 2: EX-99.1 (EXHIBIT 99.1)

Exhibit 99.1

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. Announces Two-for-One Stock Split

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 19, 2011--Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. (NASDAQ: OZRK) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a two-for-one stock split of its common stock payable in the form of a 100% stock dividend. The two-for-one stock split is expected to be paid on or about August 16, 2011 to stockholders of record as of August 5, 2011. Stock certificates representing the additional shares will be distributed by the Company's transfer agent, Bank of the Ozarks Trust and Wealth Management Division, and the per share price of the Company's common stock will adjust accordingly on the NASDAQ Global Select Market for trading beginning on or about August 17, 2011. The Company currently has 17,127,740 shares of common stock outstanding. After the stock split, the current number of shares of common stock outstanding will increase to 34,255,480 shares.

This is the third two-for-one stock split of the Company's common stock since its initial public offering in July 1997. The previous splits occurred in June 2002 and December 2003.

George Gleason, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Bank of the Ozarks, Inc., stated, "This declaration reflects our Board's confidence in our ability to drive long-term value to our shareholders and recognizes our Company's strong market performance and continued growth prospects. The decision to declare a two-for-one stock split will allow us to maintain a market price for our stock that is affordable and accessible to a wider range of investors and to increase our overall shareholder base and liquidity in our stock."

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. is a bank holding company with \$4.03 billion in total assets as of June 30, 2011 and trades on the NASDAQ Global Select Market under the symbol "OZRK." The Company owns a state-chartered subsidiary bank that conducts banking operations through 113 offices in Arkansas, Texas, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Alabama. The Company may be contacted at (501) 978-2265 or P. O. Box 8811, Little Rock, Arkansas 72231-8811. The Company's website is: <u>www.bankozarks.com</u>.

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