

REPUBLIC BANCORP INC /KY/
Form 8-K
January 25, 2017

**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): January 25, 2017

REPUBLIC BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| <u>Kentucky</u> | <u>0-24649</u> | <u>61-0862051</u> |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

601 West Market Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202
(Address of principal executive offices) (zip code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (502) 584-3600

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. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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ITEM 7.01. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On January 25, 2017, Republic Bancorp, Inc. announced its first quarter 2016 cash dividend. The public announcement was made by means of a news release, the text of which is set forth in Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

99.1 Republic Bancorp, Inc. News Release dated January 25, 2017.

The information in this Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1 attached hereto, is being furnished under Item 7.01 and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liability of such section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing of Republic Bancorp, Inc. under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing, unless expressly incorporated by specific reference in such filing.

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.

Republic Bancorp, Inc.
(Registrant)

Date: January 25, 2017 By: /s/ Kevin Sipes
Kevin Sipes
Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial
Officer & Chief
Accounting Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description of Exhibit

99.1 News Release dated January 25, 2017. Filed herewith.