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**UNITED STATES  
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): March 19, 2021**

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**Amerant Bancorp Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Florida**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-38534**  
(Commission  
file number)

**65-0032379**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification Number)

**220 Alhambra Circle  
Coral Gables, Florida 33134**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**(305) 460-8728**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbols</u>	<u>Name of exchange on which registered</u>
Class A Common Stock	AMTB	NASDAQ
Class B Common Stock	AMTBB	NASDAQ

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

Following the filing of the Company's 2020 annual report on Form 10-K with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on March 19, 2021, Millar Wilson has retired from his role as the Company's Chief Executive Officer, and effective March 20, 2021, Gerald P. Plush, who has served as Executive Vice Chairman since February 15, 2021, is the Company's Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

The Company had previously reported under Item 5.02 on a Current Report on Form 8-K filed on January 21, 2021; Mr. Wilson's retirement from his role as Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer and the appointment of Gerald P. Plush, as the Company's Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer effective the day following the filing of the Company's 2020 annual report on Form 10-K with the SEC. Mr. Plush has served as a Company director since July 2019 and as Executive Vice-Chairman since February 15, 2021.

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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.

Date: March 19, 2021

Amerant Bancorp Inc.

By: /s/ Julio V. Pena  
Name: Julio V. Pena  
Title: Senior Vice President and Assistant Corporate Secretary

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