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): November 23, 2021

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Amerant Bancorp Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

(State o	Florida or other jurisdiction	001-38534 (Commission	65-0032379 (IRS Employer		
	incorporation	file number)	Identification Number)		
		220 Alhambra Circle Coral Gables, Florida 33134 (Address of principal executive offices)			
		(305) 460-8728 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)			
Check the appropriate b	oox below if the Form 8-K filing is in	tended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant u	nder any of the following provisions:		
□ Written com	munications pursuant to Rule 425 un	der the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)			
_	•	the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)			
		Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))			
☐ Pre-commen	cement communications pursuant to	Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))			
Securities registered pu	rsuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:				
-	Title of each class	<u>Trading Symbols</u>	Name of exchange on which registered		
Cla	ss A Common Stock	AMTB	NASDAQ		
Indicate by check mark Exchange Act of 1934 (g growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933	(17 CFR§230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities		
			Emerging growth company		
	company, indicate by check mark if the suant to Section 13(a) of the Exchang	he registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for coe Act. \square	emplying with any new or revised financial accounting		

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 20, 2021, Amerant Bancorp Inc. (the "Company") was informed of the death of director Dolores M. Lare, who passed away on Friday November 19, 2021. Mrs. Lare served as a member of the board of directors of the Company since March 2021 and will be greatly missed. Mrs. Lare served on the risk, audit and compensation committees of the board.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Number Exhibit

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

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: November 23, 2021 Amerant Bancorp Inc.

> /s/ Julio V. Pena By:

Name: Julio V. Pena

Title: Senior Vice President, Securities Counsel and Assistant Corporate Secretary