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## Section 1: 8-K (CURRENT REPORT)

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): October 31, 2018



**CONNECTONE BANCORP, INC.**  
(Exact name of Company as specified in its charter)

**New Jersey**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-11486**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**52-1273725**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**301 Sylvan Avenue**  
**Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**07632**  
(Zip Code)

Company's telephone number, including area code: (201) 816-8900

- 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))

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

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

On October 31, 2018, the Registrant received the approval of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance with respect to the proposed merger of Greater Hudson Bank, a New York state chartered commercial bank, with and into the Registrant's wholly owned subsidiary, ConnectOne Bank, as detailed in the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 12, 2018. The Registrant had previously received the approval of the FDIC, as noted in the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 9, 2018. The transaction remains subject to the approval of Greater Hudson Bank's shareholders.

### 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.

**CONNECTONE BANCORP, INC.**

(Registrant)

Dated: November 7, 2018

By: /s/ William S. Burns

**WILLIAM S. BURNS**

Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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