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FORM 11-K

FOR ANNUAL REPORTS OF EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE, SAVINGS AND SIMILAR PLANS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUAN TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended DECEMBER 31, 2016
TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1934
For the transition period from to
mission file number: 001-36452
Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below: ServisFirst Bank 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust
Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office: ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. 850 Shades Creek Parkway Birmingham, Alabama 35209

SERVISFIRST BANK 401(k) Profit-Sharing Plan and Trust
Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule
As of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and for the year ended December 31, 2016
(With Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm)

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Participants and the Fiduciary Investment and Administrative Committee of ServisFirst Bank and the Audit Committee of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.

Birmingham, Alabama

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for plan benefits of the ServisFirst Bank 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust (the Plan) as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the year ended December 31, 2016. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Plan is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's control over financial reporting. Accordingly we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2016 and 2015, and the changes in net assets available for plan benefits for the year ended December 31, 2016, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The supplemental information in the accompanying schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2016 has been subjected to audit procedures performed in conjunction with the audit of the Plan's financial statements. The supplemental information is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but includes supplemental information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. The supplemental information is the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our audit procedures included determining whether the supplemental information reconciles to the financial statements or the underlying accounting and other records, as applicable and performing procedures to test the completeness and accuracy of the information presented in the supplemental information. In forming our opinion on the supplemental information in the accompanying schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. In our opinion, the supplemental information in the accompanying schedule are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

/s/ Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP

Atlanta, Georgia

June 28, 2017

SERVISFIRST BANK 401(k) PROFIT-SHARING PLAN AND TRUST Statements of Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits December 31, 2016 and 2015

	2016	2015
Investments, at fair value	\$ 20,155,897	\$ 15,488,312
Investments, at contract value	939,293	544,041
Receivables:		
Company contributions	-	40,684
Participant contributions	-	67,626
Notes receivable from participants	93	5,582
Net assets available for plan benefits	\$ 21,095,283	\$ 16,146,245

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

SERVISFIRST BANK 401(k) PROFIT-SHARING PLAN AND TRUST Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Plan Benefits Year Ended December 31, 2016

	 2016
Additions	
Investment income:	
Net appreciation in investments	\$ 1,009,126
Interest and dividends	 231,268
Total investment income	1,240,394
Interest income from notes receivable from participants	95
Net investment and interest income	1,240,489
Contributions:	
Company	1,294,506
Participants	2,228,171
Rollovers	886,348
Total contributions	 4,409,025
Total additions	 5,649,514
<u>Deductions</u>	
Benefits paid to participants and beneficiaries	581,477
Plan expenses	118,999
Total deductions	 700,476
Net increase in net assets available for plan benefits	4,949,038
Net assets available for plan benefits:	
Beginning of year	16,146,245
End of year	\$ 21,095,283
See accompanying notes to financial statements	

SERVISFIRST BANK 401(k) PROFIT-SHARING PLAN AND TRUST NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS December 31, 2016 and 2015

(1) Description of Plan

The following description of the ServisFirst Bank 401(k) Profit-Sharing Plan and Trust (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document for a complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering all employees of ServisFirst Bank (the "Company") who have attained age 21 except union employees whose employment is governed under a collective bargaining agreement and certain nonresident aliens who have no earned income from sources within the United States. The plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions

Participants contribute a percentage of pretax and Roth after-tax annual compensation (as defined by the Plan), not to exceed federal limits. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans. The Company contributes a safe harbor matching contribution equal to 100 percent of participant salary deferrals that do not exceed 4% of compensation. The Company may also contribute discretionary matching or profit sharing contributions as determined by the Company's Board of Directors. No such discretionary contribution was made in 2016.

Investment Options

Participants direct the investment of their accounts into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Plan currently offers investments in various mutual funds, collective trusts, a pooled separate account, a stable value investment contract and the common stock of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc., the Company's parent company.

Participant Accounts

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, the Company's contribution, and Plan earnings or losses from that account's investment activities. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Administration

The Plan is administered by the Senior Vice President of Human Resources of the Company (the "plan administrator"). The plan administrator is responsible for general administration of the Plan and interpretation and execution of the Plan's provisions. Two executive officers of the sponsoring company serve as Plan trustees. Lincoln Financial Group Trust Company, LLC served as custodian of the Plan's assets for 2016 and for 2015.

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service due to separation, death, disability, or retirement, a participant may elect to receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account. A participant may also elect installment payments over a fixed reasonable period of time for required minimum distributions only. A participant may obtain an in-service or hardship withdrawal from his or her tax-deferred contributions subject to certain conditions and penalties (as defined by the Plan).

Vesting

Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary and safe harbor matching contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Company discretionary contribution portion of their accounts plus earnings thereon is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested in discretionary contributions after five years of credited service.

Forfeited Accounts

Forfeitures of terminated, nonvested participant accounts may first be used to pay Plan expenses and then may be used to reduce current or future Company discretionary contributions or reallocated to participant accounts as an additional Company contribution. At December 31, 2016, forfeited non-vested accounts totaled \$4,989. All forfeitures were used during 2016.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Notes receivable from participants are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates that are commensurate with local prevailing rates. Principal and interest are paid ratably through weekly payroll deductions. Effective January 1, 2013, the Plan was amended to no longer allow new loans from the Plan. Notes receivable are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed as incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2016 or 2015. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced and a benefit payment is recorded.

Plan Termination

Although the Company has not expressed any intent to do so, it has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, participants would become 100 percent vested in their Company contributions.

Administrative Expenses

Certain administrative expenses, including accounting fees, have been paid by the Company. Contract administrative fees are paid by the Plan.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("U.S. GAAP").

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts which is reported at contract value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions made under each contract, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals, and administrative expenses. Management of the Company determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the investment advisers and trustees. See Note 3 and Note 4 for discussion of fair value and contract value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation and depreciation includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

The Plan provides for investments in various investment securities that in general are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market liquidity. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits. Purchases and sales of investments are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date.

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In May 2015, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2015-07, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosures for Investments in Certain Entities that Calculate Net Asset Value per Share (or Its Equivalent). The ASU removes certain disclosures and the requirement to categorize within the fair value hierarchy investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value ("NAV") per share practical expedient provided by Topic 820, Fair Value Measurement. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2016, with early adoption permitted. The ASU should be applied retrospectively to all periods presented. Management has elected to adopt this guidance for the year ended December 31, 2016.

In July 2015, the FASB issued ASU 2015-12, Plan Accounting: Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Topic 960), Defined Benefit Contribution Pension Plans (Topic 962), Health and Welfare Benefit Plans (Topic 965): (Part I) Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contracts, (Part II) Plan Investment Disclosures, (Part III) Measurement Date Practical Expedient. Part I eliminates the requirements to measure the fair value of fully benefit-responsive contracts and to provide certain disclosures. Contract value is now the only required measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Part II eliminates the requirements to disclose individual investments that represent 5 percent or more of net assets available for benefits and the net appreciation or depreciation in fair value of investments by general type. Part II also simplifies disclosures of the level of disaggregation of investments that are measured using fair value. Plans will continue to disaggregate investments that are measured using fair value by general type; however, plans are no longer required to also disaggregate investments by nature, characteristics and risks for disclosure purposes. Further, the disclosure of information about fair value measurements shall be provided by general type of plan asset. Part III is not applicable to the Plan. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2015, with early adoption permitted. Parts I and II are to be applied retrospectively to all periods presented, Management has elected to adopt Parts I and II for the year ended December 31, 2015.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through June 28, 2017, the date the Financial Statements were available to be issued.

(3) Fair Value Measurements

The framework for measuring fair value provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3).

Measurement of fair value under U.S. GAAP establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs used to measure fair value, as of the measurement date, into three broad levels, which are described below:

Level 1 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

Level 2 Inputs to the valuation methodology include:

Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets;

Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets;

Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability;

Inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset's or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The following tables present the Plan's investments at fair value as of December 31, 2016 and 2015:

]	Invest	ments at Fair Valu	e as o	December 31, 2	.016	_
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Mutual funds	\$	11,099,830	\$	-	\$	-	\$	11,099,830
Common stock of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.		931,109		-		-		931,109
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$	12,030,939	\$	-	\$	-	\$	12,030,939
Investments measured at NAV:								
Collective trusts (1)								8,077,108
Pooled separate account (1)								47,850
Investments at fair value							\$	20,155,897
	Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2015							
		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total
Mutual funds	\$	7,528,471	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,528,471
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	\$	7,528,471	\$	-	\$	-	\$	7,528,471
Investments measured at NAV:								
Collective trusts (1)								7,958,184
Pooled separate account (1)								1,657
Investments at fair value							\$	15,488,312

(1) In accordance with Topic 820, certain investments that were measured at net asset value per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of assets available for plan benefits.

The following table summarizes investments for which fair value is measured using the NAV per share practical expedient as of December 31, 2016 and 2015.

	Fa	ir Value at	Fair Value at	Unfunded	Other Redemption	Redemption Notice
	Dece	mber 31, 2016	December 31, 2015	commitments	Frequency	Period
Collective trusts	\$	8,077,108	7,958,184	None	None	None
Pooled separate account		47.850	1.657	None	None	None

The Plan recognizes transfers between the levels as of the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. There were no gross transfers between the levels for the year ended December 31, 2016.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2016 and 2015.

Mutual funds

Mutual funds are valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily net asset value (NAV) and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

Common stocks

Common stocks in the Plan are publicly traded investments, and are valued daily at the closing price reported on the active market on which the individual securities are traded.

Collective trusts

These funds invest in registered investment companies and other collective investment trust funds and are valued at the NAV per share/unit reported at the close of every business day. Quoted prices are determined daily based on the underlying market value of the mutual funds and other securities in the accounts. Net change in fair value of the accounts includes interest, dividends and realized and unrealized gains and losses on investments in the accounts.

Pooled separate account

The Plan invests in a pooled separate account for which quoted prices are not available in active markets for identical instruments. The Plan utilizes the NAV of units, as determined by the custodian, as the estimated fair value. Because quoted prices in active markets for identical assets are not available, these prices are determined using observable market information such as quotes from less active markets and/or quoted prices of securities with similar characteristics.

The methods described above may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values.

(4) Fully Benefit-Responsive Investment Contract

The Lincoln Stable Value Fixed Account (Fixed Account) is a fully benefit-responsive investment contract issued by the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company, the custodian, with the backing of their general account. As it is not a portfolio of contracts whose yields are based on changes in fair value of underlying assets, this type of investment is considered fairly valued at contract value. The methodology for calculating the interest crediting rate is defined in the contract. Under the terms of the existing contract, the composite crediting rate is currently reset on a quarterly basis and will never be less than the guaranteed minimum interest rate, as defined in the contract. The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the third-party issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments. By definition, the Fixed Account is an investment contract. As a result, the Plan may transact according to the terms defined in the contract at any time. Certain events might limit the availability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuer. Examples of such events include the Plan's failure to qualify under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code or the failure of the trust to be tax-exempt under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC); premature termination of the contract; Plan termination or merger; changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options; or bankruptcy of the Plan sponsor or other Plan sponsor events (for example divestitures or spinoffs of a subsidiary) that significantly affect the Plan's normal operations. No events are probable of occurring that might limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the participants. In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contracts with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Examples of such events include an uncur

(5) Tax Status

The Company adopted a prototype non-standardized profit sharing plan with a cash or deferral arrangement, which received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service on March 31, 2014, which stated that the Plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code ("IRC"). Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the Plan administrator believes that the Plan is designed and is currently being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and has no income subject to unrelated business income tax. The Plan's income tax returns for the past three years are subject to examination by tax authorities and may change upon examination.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan Administrator has confirmed that there are no uncertain positions taken that would require recognition of a liability (or asset) or disclosure in the financial statements.

(6) Risks and Uncertainties

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Because of the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities could occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for plan benefits.

(7) Related-Party Transactions

Lincoln Financial, the custodian as defined by the Plan, manages investments in its sponsored funds and, therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions. The Plan also invests in shares of the Company's parent company. The Company is the Plan sponsor; therefore, these transactions qualify as exempt party-in-interest transactions.

SERVISFIRST BANK 401(k) PROFIT-SHARING PLAN AND TRUST Schedule H, Line 4i – Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

December 31, 2016

(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral,

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e)	Current Value
*	ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc.	Employer common stock	**	\$	931,109
	Federated Government Ultrashort Duration Fund	Mutual fund	**		108,766
	Vanguard Interim Term Bond Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		1,074,355
	PIMCO Income Fund	Mutual fund	**		481,311
	Blackrock Inflation Protected Bond Fund	Mutual fund	**		161,302
*	Lincoln Secured Retirement Income Account	Pooled separate account	**		47,850
	Blackrock Global Allocation Fund	Mutual fund	**		694,981
	Vanguard Target Retirement Income Fund	Mutual fund	**		59
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2010 Fund	Mutual fund	**		119
	Trademark Tactical Risk Retirement	Collective trust	**		939,782
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2020 Fund	Mutual fund	**		247,068
	Trademark Tactical Risk 2020	Collective trust	**		1,381,256
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2030 Fund	Mutual fund	**		324,545
	Trademark Tactical Risk 2030 Fund	Collective trust	**		2,665,615
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2040 Fund	Mutual fund	**		361,271
	Trademark Tactical Risk 2040 Fund	Collective trust	**		2,072,742
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2050 Fund	Mutual fund	**		252,282
	Trademark Tactical Risk 2050	Collective trust	**		1,017,713
	Vanguard Target Retirement 2060 Fund	Mutual fund	**		88,489
	Vanguard Value Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		1,522,837
	Vanguard 500 Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		1,869,882
	Vanguard Growth Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		746,827
	Vanguard Mid Cap Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		920,113
	Vanguard Small Cap Value Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		364,900
	Vanguard Small Cap Growth Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		657,826
	Vanguard REIT Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		418,211
	Vanguard Developed Markets Index Fund	Mutual fund	**		167,199
	American Funds Europacific Growth Fund	Mutual fund	**		398,712
	JP Morgan Emerging Markets Equity Fund	Mutual fund	**		238,775
				\$	20,155,897
*	Lincoln Stable Value Account	Investment contract	**		939,293
*	Participant loans ***	Maturity date of January 15, 2017	**		
		Interest rate of 4.25%			93
				\$	21,095,283

Parties-in-interest to the Plan.

Cost information omitted for participant directed investments.

^{***} The accompanying financial statements classify participant loans as notes receivable from participants.

SIGNATURES

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the trustees (or other persons who administer the employee benefit plan) have duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SERVISFIRST BANCSHARES, INC.

Date: June 28, 2017

By <u>/s/ William M. Foshee</u> William M. Foshee Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

23.1 Consent of Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statement (Nos. 333-170507, 333-196825 and 333-213869) on Form S-8 and (No. 333-203385) on Form S-3 of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. of our report dated June 28, 2017, with respect to the financial statements and schedule of ServisFirst Bancshares, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan and Trust included in this Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2016.

/s/ Dixon Hughes Goodman LLP

Atlanta, Georgia

June 28, 2017