SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2008	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President		
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	Symbol SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2008 4. If Amendment, Date Original		

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired insaction(A) or Disposed of (D) de (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) str. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	08/06/2008		S	1,500	D	\$ 21.2	1,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008		M	1,000	A	\$ 5.42	2,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008		M	1,500	A	\$ 5.42	4,311	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008		M	1,500	A	\$ 5.42	5,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008		M	1,000	A	\$ 5.42	6,811	D	

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Common Stock	08/06/2008	M	1,000	A	\$ 5.42	7,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	M	1,000	A	\$ 5.42	8,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	M	1,000	A	\$ 5.42	9,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.69	8,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 21.61	7,311	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 21.55	5,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.49	4,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.37	3,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	938	D	\$ 21.49	2,873	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	62	D	\$ 21.41	2,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.34	1,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	М	1,000	A	\$ 5.61	2,811	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	М	1,067	A	\$ 5.61	3,878	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.41	2,878	D	
Common Stock	08/06/2008	S	1,067	D	\$ 21.36	1,811	D	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,500	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,500	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.42	08/06/2008		M	1,000	<u>(1)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	1,000

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Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.61	08/06/2008	M	1,000	10/15/2003 <u>(2)</u>	10/15/2008	Common Stock	1,000
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.61	08/06/2008	M	1,067	10/15/2003(2)	10/15/2008	Common Stock	1,067

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GIBSON LEE R SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM TYLER, TX 75701

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Lee R. Gibson 08/06/2008

**Signature of Person Date

**Reporting Person

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 06/10/2004.
- (2) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 10/15/2003.

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