SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ALEXANDER TIMOTHY F

		SOU	SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 S BECKHAM AVE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2016					Director 10% Owner Selfow) Other (specify below) Chief Lending Officer			
TYLER, TX	(Street)		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			
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	:. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis(D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	lof	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/09/2017		J		2	A	(1)	6,616	D		
Common Stock	03/09/2017		J		9	A	<u>(2)</u>	6,625	D		
Common Stock	03/09/2017		J		12	A	<u>(3)</u>	6,637	D		
Common Stock	03/09/2017		J		17	A	<u>(4)</u>	6,654	D		
Common Stock	12/01/2016		J		92.99	A	<u>(5)</u>	12,021.99	I	IRA	

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Common Stock	12/01/2016	J	24.164	A	<u>(6)</u>	3,161.9948	I	401K
Common Stock	12/07/2016	J	10.494	A	<u>(6)</u>	1,320.9573	I	ESOP
Common Stock	12/20/2016	J	0.408	A	<u>(6)</u>	1,321.3653	I	ESOP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. iorNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secun Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ALEXANDER TIMOTHY F 1201 S BECKHAM AVE TYLER, TX 75701

Chief Lending Officer

Signatures

TIMOTHY F. 03/10/2017 ALEXANDER

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2013 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (2) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2015 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (3) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2016 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (4) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2016 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (5) Dividend Reinvestment Program "DRP"
- Amount includes allocation of shares received in connection with reinvestment of quarterly cash dividend. And allocation of fractional shares that have occurred since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

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