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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STORY JERYL W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2008				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President					
(GL)	(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									ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execution	emed 3. 4. Securities Acquired on Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) Or				d of (D)	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	11/16/2008			Code	V	Amount 1,300	(D)	Price \$ 20.84	86,692	D		
Common Stock	11/16/2009			M		5,000	A	\$ 4.76	96,093	D		
Common Stock	11/16/2009			S		408	D	\$ 20.95	95,685	D		
Common Stock	11/16/2009			S		2	D	\$ 20.89	95,683	D		
Common Stock	11/16/2009			S		1,400	D	\$ 20.88	94,283	D		

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Common Stock	11/16/2009	S	1,890	D	\$ 20.73	92,393	D	
Common Stock						83	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock						10,511.02	I	by ESOP

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (In
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (right to	\$ 4.76	11/16/2009		M	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	08/31/2010	Common Stock	5,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address
Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STORY JERYL W

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Executive Vice President

Signatures

Jeryl Story 11/16/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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 08/31/2005.

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