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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SMITH RANKIN M JR

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIDELITY SOUTHERN CORP
[LION]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3490 PIEDMONT ROAD, SUITE
1550

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/08/2017

_____X_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
 below) below)

(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

ATLANTA, GA 30305

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock	12/08/2017		A ⁽¹⁾	V	90.8099	A \$ 21.9965	235,088.3195	D	
Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock							334	I	By Spouse
							6,305	I	By Trust

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Fidelity
Southern
Corporation
- Common
Stock

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.87					01/21/2017 ⁽²⁾	01/21/2021	Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock	6,666
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.82 ⁽³⁾					03/19/2016	03/19/2020	Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock	3,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH RANKIN M JR 3490 PIEDMONT ROAD SUITE 1550 ATLANTA, GA 30305	X			

Signatures

Brittany Caylor, Attorney in Fact for Rankin M.
Smith Jr.

12/11/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Shares awarded for service as a Director during the previous month.
- (2) Exercisable: 1/3 on 1/21/2017; 1/3 on 1/21/2018; 1/3 on 1/21/2019
- (3) Exercisable: 1/3 on 3/19/16, 1/3 on 3/19/17, 1/3 on 3/19/18

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