

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

September 23, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NORTON JOE

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)

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES
INC, 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/25/2008

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

TYLER, TX 75701

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	09/23/2008		S		100	D	\$ 24.84	167,671	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008		S		900	D	\$ 24.81	166,771	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008		S		1,000	D	\$ 24.83	165,771	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008		S		68	D	\$ 24.84	165,703	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008		S		1,500	D	\$ 24.88	164,203	D	

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Common Stock	09/23/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 24.79	162,703	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008	S	1,238	D	\$ 24.68	161,465	D	
Common Stock	09/23/2008	S	1,432	D	\$ 24.88	160,033	D	
Common Stock	03/25/2008	J ⁽¹⁾	21.6	A	\$ 22.33	4,039.72	I	Self Cust/GrDaughter
Common Stock	06/12/2008	J ⁽¹⁾	28.13	A	\$ 19.6	4,269.836	I	Self Cust/GrDaughter
Common Stock	03/25/2008	J ⁽¹⁾	12.18	A	\$ 22.33	2,278.03	I	SelfCust/GrSon
Common Stock	06/12/2008	J ⁽¹⁾	15.86	A	\$ 19.6	2,407.7915	I	SelfCust/GrSon

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NORTON JOE SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM	X			

TYLER, TX 75701

Signatures

W. D. (Joe)
Norton

09/23/2008

__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 acquired pursuant to Southside Bancshares, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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