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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| SMITH PRESTON L S | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI] | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| (Last) PO BOX 10 | , | Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2011 | | | _X_ Director Officer (give below) | | Owner er (specify | | | |
| | | | | nendment, Date Original onth/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) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | ly Owned | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year) | Execution any | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or | | | cquired ed of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2011 | | | Code V P | Amount 10 | (D) | \$ 20.99 | 10 | D | | |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2011 | | | P | 990 | A | \$ 21 | 1,000 | D | | |

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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | | 7. Title a | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|--------|-------------|---------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | | onNumber | Expiration D | | Amount | | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underly | _ | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securitie | es | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | S | | (Instr. 3 | and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
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| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title N | umber | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | Date | 01 | | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | hares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • 0 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| SMITH PRESTON L | | | | | | | |
| PO BOX 1079 | X | | | | | | |
| TYLER, TX 75710 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

PRESTON L
SMITH 02/02/2011

**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).

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