

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC  
Form 8-K/A  
September 10, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A  
(Amendment No. 1)

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): August 27, 2009

Southside Bancshares, Inc.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-12247 (Commission File Number)	75-1848732 (IRS Employer Identification Number)
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1201 S. Beckham, Tyler, Texas (Address of principal executive offices)	75701 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (903) 531-7111

NA  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Explanatory Note

We previously filed a Current Report on Form 8-K on September 2, 2009, to provide information required by Item 5.02 related to an increase in the size of the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (the “Company”) and the appointment of two directors to fill the newly created positions, as described in such Current Report (the “Original Form 8-K”). This Current Report on Form 8-K/A amends the Original Form 8-K to clarify that the increase in the size of the Board was accomplished pursuant to an amendment to the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws. This Current Report on Form 8-K/A does not otherwise modify or update any of the information contained in the Original Form 8-K.

**ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN OFFICERS.**

On August 27, 2009, the Board increased its size by two members pursuant to an amendment of Article 3.02 of the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws. The Board appointed Messrs. Preston L. Smith and Donald W. Thedford to fill the newly created director positions.

Mr. Smith is the President and owner of PSI Production, Inc. He is an active member of the Independent Petroleum Association of America and served as its Northeast Texas Representative to the Board of Directors from 1999 to 2005. Mr. Smith serves on the Board of Trustees for All Saints Episcopal School of Tyler and Trinity Mother Frances Health System, and he is President of the East Texas State Fair Association. Mr. Smith will stand for election at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the Company’s shareholders, and will thereafter join the class of directors that will stand for reelection at the 2011 Annual Meeting.

Mr. Thedford has been the President of Don’s TV & Appliance, Inc. since 1979. He is a member of the National Appliance Retail Dealers Association and the Nationwide Marketing Group. Mr. Thedford will stand for election at the 2010 Annual Meeting, and will thereafter join the class of directors that will stand for reelection at the 2013 Annual Meeting.

There are no arrangements between Mr. Smith or Mr. Thedford and any other person pursuant to which either Mr. Smith or Mr. Thedford was selected as a director, nor are there any transactions to which the Company is a party and in which either Mr. Smith or Mr. Thedford has a material interest subject to disclosure under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

**ITEM 5.03. AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS; CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR.**

On August 27, 2009, the Board adopted an amendment (the “Amendment”) to Section 3.02 of Article Three of the Company’s Amended and Restated Bylaws. The purpose of the Amendment was to increase the size of the Board from ten (10) to twelve (12) members.

Pursuant to General Instruction F to the Securities and Exchange Commission’s Current Report on Form 8-K, the Amendment is attached to this Report as Exhibit 3.1, and is incorporated into this Item 5.03 by this reference.

**ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
3.1	Amendment No. 1 to the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, effective August 27, 2009.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Southside Bancshares, Inc.

Date: September 10 , 2009      By: /s/      Sam Dawson  
Sam Dawson  
President and Secretary