

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC  
Form 4  
December 31, 2012

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

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	
HARTLEY BG			SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]		(Check all applicable)	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
1201 S BECKHAM AVE			12/20/2012		<input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) COB
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
TYLER, TX 75701					<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2012		J	1,482 A 11 202,224		D	
Common Stock	12/20/2012		J	1,482 D 11 22,660.72		I	by ESOP
Common Stock					28,543.009	I	by Spouse / Sep Property
Common Stock					4,440.1	I	by ESOP for Spouse

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 (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARTLEY BG 1201 S BECKHAM AVE TYLER, TX 75701	X			COB

## Signatures

B G Hartley 12/31/2012  
 \*\*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) Mr. Hartley took his Required Minimum Distribution for 2012 on his ESOP shares.

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