

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

March 11, 2016

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 *
Earl W Clawater III

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)

1201 S BECKHAM AVE

(Street)

TYLER, TX 75701

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

03/10/2016

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

EVP & CHIEF CREDIT OFFICER

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ 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)
Common Stock	03/10/2016		J	3 A <u>(1)</u>	4,351	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2016		J	5 A <u>(2)</u>	4,356	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2016		J	10 A <u>(3)</u>	4,366	D	
Common Stock					1,171.0077	I	By ESOP

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
Earl W Clawwater III 1201 S BECKHAM AVE TYLER, TX 75701	EVP & CHIEF CREDIT OFFICER

Signatures

EARL W.
CLAWATER III 03/11/2016

__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) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2012 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (2) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2013 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.
- (3) Reflects restricted stock units (RSUs) 2015 grant received pursuant to dividend equivalent rights attached to RSUs held by the reporting person.

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