SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GIBSON LEE R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) SOUTHSIDE INC, 1201 SO			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/21/2007	Director 10% Owner State of the control of the con		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
TYLER, TX 75701				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own							eficially 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)				Securities Ownership India Beneficially Form: Own	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	11/21/2007		M	500	A	\$ 5.25	5,589	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007		M	500	A	\$ 5.25	6,089	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007		M	400	A	\$ 5.25	6,489	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007		M	500	A	\$ 5.25	6,989	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007		M	600	A	\$ 5.25	7,589	D	

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Common Stock	11/21/2007	M	500	A	\$ 5.25	8,089	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	500	D	\$ 19.05	7,589	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	500	D	\$ 19.16	7,089	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	400	D	\$ 19.24	6,689	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	500	D	\$ 19.33	6,189	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	600	D	\$ 19.38	5,589	D	
Common Stock	11/21/2007	S	500	D	\$ 19.49	5,089	D	
Common Stock						123	I	Self Cust./Daughter
Common Stock						92	I	Self Cust./Son
Common Stock						8,038.88	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof	Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Derivative	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Securities				
	Derivative				Acquired				
	Security				(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
									Amount
							E		or
						Date Exercisable	Expiration	Title	Number
							Date		of
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares
Incentive	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007		M	500	08/31/2005(1)	08/31/2010	Common	500
Stock	\$ 0.20	11,21/2007			200	00,01,2000_	00,01,2010	Stock	230

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Option (right to buy)								
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007	M	500	08/31/2005 <u>(1)</u>	08/31/2010	Common Stock	500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007	M	400	08/31/2005(1)	08/31/2010	Common Stock	400
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007	M	500	08/31/2005(1)	08/31/2010	Common Stock	500
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007	M	600	08/31/2005(1)	08/31/2010	Common Stock	600
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.25	11/21/2007	M	500	08/31/2005 <u>(1)</u>	08/31/2010	Common Stock	500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

GIBSON LEE R SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM TYLER, TX 75701

Executive Vice President

Signatures

Lee R. Gibson 11/21/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 08/31/2005.

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