

SCUDDER MICHAEL L  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 SCUDDER MICHAEL L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC [FMBI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/22/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

ITASCA, IL 60143  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)     |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price (A) or (D)                                     |   |  |                                       |
| Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>     | 02/22/2012                           |  | A                              | 81,902 <sub>(2)</sub>   | \$ 0 <sub>(2)</sub>   | 249,509  | D                                     |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 770   | I  | By IRA                                |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 8,949   | I  | By NQ Stock Option Gain Deferral Plan |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 6,686   | I  |                                       |

Common Stock

By Profit Sharing Plan Trust

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. Nu                      | Deriv | Secur | Bene | Own | Follo | Repo | Trans | (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|-------|-------|------|-----|-------|------|-------|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares |       |       |      |     |       |      |       |        |
|  |  |                                      |  |                                |   | Code   | V   | (A)  | (D)                        |       |       |      |     |       |      |       |        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                 |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |
| SCUDDER MICHAEL L<br>ONE PIERCE PLACE<br>SUITE 1500<br>ITASCA, IL 60143 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |

## Signatures

Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for Michael L. Scudder  
Date: 02/24/2012

\*\*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) Long Term Incentive Compensation Restricted Stock Awards (RSAs) granted pursuant to the Restated First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan.
- (2)

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The number of shares represented by this award was determined by dividing the dollar value of the award granted to the Reporting Person by \$11.355 (the average high and low sale price of one share of the Company's Common Stock on the date of grant). This award will vest in two equal installments, specifically on the second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

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