

OMEARA ROBERT P  
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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 \*  
OMEARA ROBERT P

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)  
01/07/2008

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

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/07/2008		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1,702 D \$ 0	156,157	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					322,154	D	
Common Stock					20,000	I	By IRA
Common Stock					154,226 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By NQ Stock Option Gain Deferral

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)
				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
OMEARA ROBERT P ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143		X		

## Signatures

By: Andrea L. Stangl,  
Attorney-in-fact  
Date: 02/14/2008

\*\*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) Represents gifts to family members, none of whom share the reporting person's household.

Between January 1, 2008 and February 14, 2008 the reporting person acquired 1,798 shares of First Midwest common stock pursuant to

(2) the dividend reinvestment feature under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Nonqualified Stock Option Gain Deferral Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated January 22, 2008.

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