SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STORY JERYL W		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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/04/2006					Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President			
	(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative :	Securi	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securi n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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	12/04/2006			M(1)		200	A	\$ 5.44	54,942	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006			M(1)		1,800	A	\$ 5.44	56,742	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006			M(1)		2,000	A	\$ 5.44	58,742	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006			M(1)		400	A	\$ 5.44	59,142	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006			M(1)		1,000	A	\$ 5.44	60,142	D	

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Common Stock	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	600	A	\$ 5.44	60,742	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 25.52 (1)	60,542	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	1,800	D	\$ 25.98 (1)	58,742	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	2,000	D	\$ 26.14 (1)	56,742	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 26.15 (1)	56,342	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 26.18 (1)	55,342	D	
Common Stock	12/04/2006	S(1)	600	D	\$ 26.21 (1)	54,742	D	
Common Stock						71	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock						8,274.38	I	by ESOP

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	

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Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	200	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	200
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	1,800	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	1,80
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	2,000	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	2,00
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	400	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	400
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M(1)	1,000	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	1,00
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.44	12/04/2006	M <u>(1)</u>	600	(2)	06/05/2007	Common Stock	600
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.51				(3)	08/31/2010	Common Stock	31,5
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.97				<u>(4)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	22,10
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.18				(5)	10/15/2008	Common Stock	4,14
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.51				<u>(6)</u>	08/31/2010	Common Stock	3,61
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.97				<u>(7)</u>	06/10/2009	Common Stock	65

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships			
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
STORY JERYL W						
			Executive Vice President			

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Signatures

Jeryl Story 12/04/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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. Story exercised 6,000 option shares in a cashless transaction on 12-04-06 issued 6-5-97, under the 1993 Incentive Stock Option Plan.
- (2) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 06/05/2002.
- (3) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 08/31/2005.
- (4) Options vest 20% per year and currently 80% are fully exercisable.
- (5) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 10/15/2003.
- (6) Non-Qualified Incentive Stock Option became fully exercisable 08/31/01.
- (7) Non-qualified Incentive Stock Option became fully exercisable 06/10/2000.

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