

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC
 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 *
 TURNER JOSEPH W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC [GSBC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2190 N FARM ROAD 213
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 07/25/2008

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

STRAFFORD, MO 65757

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | | P | 200 A \$ 10.6 | 108,340 | D | |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | | P | 525 A \$ 10.63 | 108,865 | D | |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | | P | 100 A \$ 10.6488 | 108,965 | D | |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | | P | 300 A \$ 10.66 | 109,265 | D | |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | | P | 200 A \$ 10.5 | 200 | I | Spouse's IRA |

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|--------------|------------|---|-------|---|------------|---------|---|------------------------|
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | P | 200 | A | \$ 10.53 | 400 | I | Spouse's IRA |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | P | 1,378 | A | \$ 10.5399 | 1,778 | I | Spouse's IRA |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | P | 600 | A | \$ 10.545 | 2,378 | I | Spouse's IRA |
| Common stock | 07/25/2008 | P | 100 | A | \$ 10.55 | 2,478 | I | Spouse's IRA |
| Common stock | | | | | | 5,593 | I | 401(k) Plan |
| Common stock | | | | | | 8,700 | I | Children's Trust |
| Common stock | | | | | | 369,738 | I | Family Ltd Partnership |

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 or Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to purchase | \$ 20.12 | | | | | (1) | 09/25/2013 | Common stock | 16,000 |
| Options to purchase | \$ 32.07 | | | | | (2) | 09/22/2014 | Common stock | 12,000 |
| Option to purchase | \$ 30.34 | | | | | (2) | 09/20/2015 | Common stock | 12,000 |
| Option to purchase | \$ 30.66 | | | | | (3) | 10/18/2016 | Common stock | 9,600 |

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|--------------------------------|----------|-----|------------|-----------------------|-------|
| purchase Option to purchase | \$ 25.48 | (4) | 10/17/2017 | stock Common stock | 9,600 |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----|------------|-----------------------|-------|

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TURNER JOSEPH W 2190 N FARM ROAD 213 STRAFFORD, MO 65757 | X | X | President/CEO | |

Signatures

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| Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Joseph W. Turner | 07/25/2008 |
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__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) 4,000 shares vest on 9/25/2005, 9/25/2006, 9/25/2007 and 9/25/2008
- (2) 12,000 shares vest on 12/31/2005
- (3) 2,400 shares vest on 10/18/2008, 10/18/2009, 10/18/2010 and 10/18/2011
- (4) 2,400 shares vest on 10/17/2009, 10/17/2010, 10/17/2011 and 10/17/2012

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