

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 CARLSON THOMAS J

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)  
 1414 N. BENTON AVE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/22/2008

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

SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)
Common stock	07/22/2008		P		250	A	\$ 10.0567	3,650	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	07/22/2008		P		250	A	\$ 10.454	3,900	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	07/24/2008		P		500	A	\$ 10.5	4,400	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	11/25/2008		J <sup>(1)</sup>		6,666	A	\$ 0	11,066 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	11/25/2008		J <sup>(1)</sup>		6,666	D	\$ 0	0	D	

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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 Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
Option to purchase	\$ 20.815					(3) 08/20/2013	Common stock 10,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARLSON THOMAS J 1414 N. BENTON AVE SPRINGFIELD, MO 65802		X		

## Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Thomas J. Carlson  
Date: 04/16/2010

\_\_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) Transaction reflects transfer of 6,666 shares from the reporting person to his spouse's IRA.

In addition to the shares acquired pursuant to the transactions reported on this Form 4, the holdings in the IRA of the reporting person's spouse include: (i) 400 shares previously reported on August 7, 2009 as acquired by the IRA of the reporting person's spouse; and (ii) 3,000 shares previously reported on October 25, 2006 as having been disposed of by the reporting person to his spouse pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order following their divorce in 2006. The reporting person and his spouse remarried in 2008.

(3) 2,500 shares vest on 8/20/2005, 8/20/2006, 8/20/2007 and 8/20/2008

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