

FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC
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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 *
 GRISSOM STEVEN L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC [FMBH]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O SKL INVESTMENT GROUP, 121 S. 17TH STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/20/2012

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

MATTOON, IL 61938

(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) | Price | | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/20/2012 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 6,122 | A | \$ 0 | 198,096 | I | By Trust FBO Benjamin I. Lumpkin ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 03/20/2012 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 6,122 | A | \$ 0 | 198,096 | I | By Trust FBO Elizabeth L. Celio ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock | 03/20/2012 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 300 | A | \$ 0 | 300 | I | By 1978 Trust FBO Mary Lee |

Sparks ⁽²⁾

Common Stock 43,142.5 D

Common Stock 2,298.412 ⁽³⁾ I

By
Deferred
Comp Plan

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | 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 |
| GRISSOM STEVEN L C/O SKL INVESTMENT GROUP 121 S. 17TH STREET MATTOON, IL 61938 | X | | | |

Signatures

Michael L. Taylor, pursuant to a power of attorney filed 12/19/02.

03/21/2012

__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) Shares acquired through a distribution of common stock held by SKL Investment Group, LLC.
- (2) Shares acquired by Mr. Grissom as co-trustee of the trust. Mr. Grissom disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (3) Shares include 48.937 shares acquired through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan with dividends being paid on shares of common stock held.

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