

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC

Form 4

December 20, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SHAMBURGER JULIE

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)

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES
INC, 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Vice President & Controller

TYLER, TX 75701

(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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Person

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)
Common Stock	12/20/2006		M ⁽¹⁾	500 A	\$ 6.18	7,286 D	
Common Stock	01/03/2006		I ⁽²⁾	97.28 A	\$ 6.45	1,393.5 I	by ESOP
Common Stock					15	I	Self Cust./Daughter
Common Stock					15	I	Self Cust./Son ML
Common Stock					15	I	Self Cust/Son DK

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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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.18	12/20/2006		M ⁽¹⁾	500	⁽³⁾	10/15/2008	Common Stock	500	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.51					⁽⁴⁾	08/31/2010	Common Stock	2,302	
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.97					⁽⁵⁾	06/10/2009	Common Stock	2,367	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SHAMBURGER JULIE SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC 1201 SOUTH BECKHAM TYLER, TX 75701	Vice President & Controller

Signatures

Julie

Shamburger

12/20/2006

 Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Julie Shamburger exercised 500 option shares and plans to hold on 12-20-06 issued 10-15-98, under the 1993 Incentive Stock Option Plan.
- (2) ESOP allocation for plan year ending 12-31-05.
- (3) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 10/15/2003.
- (4) Vested 20% per year and became fully exercisable 08/31/2005.
- (5) Options vest 20% per year and currently 80% are fully exercisable.

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