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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MIDSOUTH BANCORP INC

[MSL]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2005

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

_X__ Director Officer (give title below)

_X__ 10% Owner __ Other (specify

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Person

Issuer

LAFAYETTE, LA 70501

102 VERSAILLES BLVD.

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Sec	urities A	acquired, Dispos	ed of, or Ben	eficially 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. Securi on(A) or D (D) (Instr. 3,	4 and (A) or	d of 5) Price	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	12/08/2005		M	5,500	A	\$ 4.41 (1)	27,698	D	
Common Stock	12/08/2005		M	0	A	\$ 0	29,126	I	Def.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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 4.41	12/08/2005		M	5,500	(2)	02/27/2007	Common Stock	16,589	

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DAVIS JAMES R 102 VERSAILLES BLVD. LAFAYETTE, LA 70501	X	X					

Signatures

James R. Davis 12/09/2005

**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) Represents exercise of stock options.
- (2) Up to 20% of total during the second year; up to 40% during the third year; up to 60% during the fourth year; up to 80% during the fifth year and during the sixth and each subsequent year until ten years from date of grant up to 100% of the total number of shares.

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