

Sander Mark G
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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 *
Sander Mark G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC
[FMBI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/20/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
_____ Other (specify below)
SEVP, Bank President & COO

ITASCA, IL 60143

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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) | | | |
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 06/20/2011 | | A | | 32,881 | A | 2 32,881 |
| | | | | | | D | |

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)

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| 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) (3) | \$ 12.165 | 06/20/2011 | | A | 42,328 | 12/31/2011 06/20/2021 | Common Stock 42,328 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Sander Mark G ONE PIERCE PLACE SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143 | | | SEVP, Bank President & COO | |

Signatures

Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for Mark G. Sander
 Date: 06/22/2011

__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) Restricted Stock Award granted pursuant to the Reporting Person's employment agreement. This award will vest in full on December 31, 2011 and includes a one-year holding period and claw-back that becomes effective under certain termination circumstances.
 The number of shares represented by this award was determined by dividing the dollar value of the award granted to the Reporting Person by \$12.165 (the average high and low sale price of one share of the company's common stock as quoted on the Nasdaq Stock Market on June 20, 2011).
- (3) Stock Option Award granted pursuant to the Reporting Person's employment agreement. This award will vest in full on December 31, 2011 and includes a ten year exercise period, a one-year holding period and claw-back that becomes effective under certain termination circumstances.

Remarks:

Exhibit List
 Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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