

AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION  
Form 8-K  
August 24, 2005

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):**

**August 24, 2005**

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**AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-7476**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**63-0591257**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**AMSOUTH CENTER**  
**1900 FIFTH AVENUE NORTH**

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**BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35203**

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive office)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (205) 320-7151**

**Not applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communication pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 24, 2005, AmSouth Bancorporation (the Company ) issued a press release announcing that AmSouth Bank (the Bank ) and AmSouth Asset Management, Inc. ( AAMI ) have received notice that the staff of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission ) intends to recommend that the Commission bring a civil action against those entities for possible violations of federal securities laws. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this report. The Bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company; AAMI is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Bank.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated August 24, 2005

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION**

By: /s/ Carl L. Gorday  
Name: Carl L. Gorday  
Title: Assistant Secretary

Date: August 24, 2005