SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Â Carter Tim
(Last) (First) (Middle)

1201 S BECKHAM AVE
(Street)

TYLER,Â TXÂ 75701
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2015

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC [SBSI]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director
_____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)
REGIONAL PRESIDENT, NORTH TX

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	38,822	D	Â
Common Stock	3,299.5804	I	401K Plan
Common Stock	7,628.2859	I	ESOP
Common Stock	6,041	I	IRA
Common Stock	601	I	Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option / (Right to Buy)	01/08/2019(1)	01/09/2025	Common Stock	2,104	$ 26.73	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Carter Tim 1201 S BECKHAM AVE TYLER,Â TXÂ 75701	Â	Â	Â REGIONAL PRESIDENT, NORTH TX	Â

Signatures

TIMOTHY H. CARTER	02/27/2015
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The options vest in four equal annual installments on each of January 8, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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