

SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC
Form SC 13D/A
May 21, 2008

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 3)*

Southside Bancshares, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$1.25 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

84470P109

(CUSIP Number)

**Saul Ortega
Chief Financial Officer
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**(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive
Notices and Communications)**

May 14, 2008

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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CUSIP No. 84470P109

NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

1 First National Bank Group, Inc.

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

TIN: 74-2221690

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

- 2 (a)
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY:

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

WC

5 CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e):

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

United States

7 SOLE VOTING POWER:

NUMBER OF 700,000

8 SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY SHARED VOTING POWER:

700,000

EACH REPORTING PERSON **9** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:
700,000

WITH **10** SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:
700,000

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:
700,000

12 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):
o

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):
5.07% ⁽¹⁾

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):
CO

(1)Based on 13,818,622 shares of common stock of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (“Southside”) issued and outstanding as of April 25, 2008, as set forth in Southside’s Form 10-Q quarterly report filed as of that date for the quarter ended March 31, 2008.

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

1

First National Bank Group, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):

TIN: 74-2772237

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

- (a)
- (b)

SEC USE ONLY:

3

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

4

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CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) OR 2(e):

5

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

6

United States

SOLE VOTING POWER:

7

NUMBER OF 0

SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 8

SHARED VOTING POWER:

0

EACH REPORTING PERSON **9** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:
0

WITH **10** SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:
0

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:
0

12 CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):
o

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):
0.00% ⁽¹⁾

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):
EP

(1)Based on 13,818,622 shares of common stock of Southside issued and outstanding as of April 25, 2008, as set forth in Southside's Form 10-Q quarterly report filed as of that date for the quarter ended March 31, 2008.

CUSIP No. 84470P109

NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS:

Trustees of the First National Bank Group, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan:

1

- David O. Rogers, Jr.
- Robert Gandy, III
- Saul Ortega

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

2

- (a)
- (b)

SEC USE ONLY:

3

SOURCE OF FUNDS (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):

4

WC

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CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

6

United States

SOLE VOTING POWER:

7

NUMBER OF 0

SHARES
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY 8

SHARED VOTING POWER:

0

EACH
REPORTING PERSON **9** SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:
0

WITH **10** SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:
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0

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o

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):
0.00% ⁽¹⁾

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS):
IN

(1)Based on 13,818,622 shares of common stock of Southside issued and outstanding as of April 25, 2008, as set forth in Southside's Form 10-Q quarterly report filed as of that date for the quarter ended March 31, 2008.

SCHEDULE 13D

This Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D relates to the common stock, par value \$1.25 per share (“Common Stock”), of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (“Southside”), a Texas corporation. Southside’s principal executive office is located at 1201 Beckham, P.O. Box 1079, Tyler, Texas 75710.

This Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D is being filed by First National Bank Group, Inc. (“FNBG”), the First National Bank Group, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (“ESOP”) and David O. Rogers, Jr., Robert Gandy, III and Saul Ortega (individually referred to as the “Named Individuals”), not in their individual capacities, but in their capacity as trustees of the ESOP (referred to in their capacity as trustees as the “Trustees,” and referred to collectively with FNBG and the ESOP as the “Reporting Persons”), and amends and supplements the Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 5, 2007, as amended and supplemented by Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons on May 19, 2008, and as amended and supplemented by Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D filed by the Reporting Persons on May 20, 2008. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all items of the Schedule 13D remained unchanged. FNBG and the ESOP are filing this Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D in connection with the disposition by FNBG and the ESOP of shares of Common Stock.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

Items 5(a), 5(b), and 5(c) of the Schedule 13D are hereby amended and restated as follows:

(a) As of May 14, 2008, FNBG was the beneficial owner of 700,000 shares of Common Stock (the “FNBG Shares”), representing approximately 5.07% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock (based on 13,818,622 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of April 25, 2008, as set forth in Southside’s Form 10-Q quarterly report filed as of that date for the quarter ended March 31, 2008).

As of May 14, 2008, the ESOP was the beneficial owner of no shares of Common Stock.

Although not required to be included with this filing, as of May 14, 2008, certain of the Named Individuals own shares of Common Stock in their individual capacities that are not included in the FNBG Shares beneficially held by FNBG, as set forth in the table below:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Shares Owned</u> |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| David O. Rogers, Jr. | 12 |
| Robert Gandy, III | 142.866 |
| Michael V. McCarthy | 200 |

(b) FNBG has sole voting power and sole dispositive power over the FNBG Shares, which represents 700,000 shares of Common Stock.

(c) Except for the open market transactions in shares of Common Stock set forth on Schedule A attached hereto, none of the Reporting Persons, nor, to the best of their knowledge, any of the Named Individuals, has effected any transaction in the Common Stock during the period between April 30, 2008 (the date of the event that required the filing of Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D) and the date of the event that required filing of this Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK GROUP, INC:

Date: May 21, 2008

By: */s/ Robert Gandy, III*

Robert Gandy, III,
Chief Executive Officer, First National Bank Group, Inc.

**FIRST NATIONAL BANK GROUP, INC.
EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN:**

Date: May 21, 2008

By: */s/ Robert Gandy, III*

Robert Gandy, III, not in his individual capacity but
solely in his capacity as trustee of the First National
Bank Group, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Date: May 21, 2008

By: */s/ David O. Rogers, Jr*

David O. Rogers, Jr., not in his individual capacity but
solely in his capacity as trustee of the First National
Bank Group, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Date: May 21, 2008

By: */s/ Saul Ortega*

Saul Ortega, not in his individual capacity solely in his
capacity as trustee of the First National Bank Group,
Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan

Schedule A**FNBG**

| Date of Transaction | Buy/Sell | Shares Involved | Price Per Share |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| May 2, 2008 | Sell | 10,000 | \$ 24.10 |
| May 5, 2008 | Sell | 24,000 | \$ 24.07 |
| May 6, 2008 | Sell | 16,000 | \$ 24.32 |
| May 7, 2008 | Sell | 5,000 | \$ 24.50 |
| May 8, 2008 | Sell | 17,500 | \$ 23.96 |
| May 9, 2008 | Sell | 27,500 | \$ 24.18 |
| May 13, 2008 | Sell | 1,000 | \$ 23.15 |
| May 14, 2008 | Sell | 49,000 | \$ 22.58 |
| Total | | 150,000 | |

ESOP

| Date of Transaction | Buy/Sell | Shares Involved | Price Per Share |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| May 2, 2008 | Sell | 60 | \$ 24.61 |
| Total | | 60 | |