

SCUDDER MICHAEL L  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
SCUDDER MICHAEL L

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)  
12/22/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

ITASCA, IL 60143  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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**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)
			Code	V	Amount (D) Price		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	12/22/2008		A		30,920 <sup>(2)</sup> \$ 0	D	By NQ Stock
Common Stock					8,710 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Option Gain Deferral Plan
Common Stock					5,531 <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By Profit Sharing Plan Trust

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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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCUDDER MICHAEL L ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143	X		President & CEO	

## Signatures

By: Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for Michael L. Scudder 12/23/2008

\_\_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 Awards (RSAs) granted pursuant to the Restated First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan.
- (2) The restricted shares represented by this award will vest in full and be transferrable on March 15, 2012, if the Company meets certain performance standards.  
Between August 20, 2008 and December 23, 2008 the Reporting Person acquired 111 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Non-Qualified Gain Deferral Plan pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment feature of the Plan. This information is based on a plan statement dated October 15, 2008.
- (4) Between August 20, 2008 and December 23, 2008 the Reporting Person acquired 71 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Savings and Profit Sharing Plan pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment feature of the Plan.

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This information is based on a plan statement dated October 22, 2008.

(5) Between July 19, 2008 and December 23, 2008 the Reporting Person acquired 3 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Savings and Profit Sharing Plan. The aggregate information reported in this line item includes such shares as reported in a plan statement dated October 6, 2008.

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