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 Earl W Clawater III
(Last) (First) (Middle)

1201 S BECKHAM AVE
(Street)

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

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
06/19/2014

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)
EVP & SR CREDIT OFFICER

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
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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	2,958	D	Â
Common Stock	980.602	I	By ESOP

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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Stock Option / (Right to Buy)	06/09/2015	06/09/2021	Common Stock	2,699	$ 16.58	D	Â
Employee Stock Option / (Right to Buy)	08/02/2016	08/02/2022	Common Stock	3,559	$ 18.99	D	Â
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	12/05/2017	12/05/2023	Common Stock	2,984	$ 25.85	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Earl W Clawater III 1201 S BECKHAM AVE TYLER,Â TXÂ 75701	Â	Â	Â EVP & SR CREDIT OFFICER	Â

Signatures

EARL W CLAWATER III	06/19/2014
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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