

MIDSOUTH BANCORP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
CLOUTIER TROY M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MIDSOUTH BANCORP INC [MSL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
102 VERSAILLES BLVD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/25/2015

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SEVP & Chief Banking Officer

LAFAYETTE, LA 70501

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | 02/25/2015 | | M | 4,000 (1) A \$ 12.97 | 26,520 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/25/2015 | | M | 0 A \$ 0 | 7,536.69 (2) | I | ESOP |
| Common Stock | 02/25/2015 | | M | 0 A \$ 0 | 9,521.52 | I | CUST Under Transfer to Minors Act |

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

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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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$ 12.97 | 02/25/2015 | | M | 4,000 | ⁽³⁾ 05/23/2022 | Common Stock | 4,000 |
| Stock Options | \$ 20.88 | 02/25/2015 | | M | 0 | ⁽⁴⁾ 12/14/2015 | Common Stock | 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CLOUTIER TROY M 102 VERSAILLES BLVD LAFAYETTE, LA 70501 | | | SEVP & Chief Banking Officer | |

Signatures

Shaleen B. Pellerin, Attorney
In Fact 02/27/2015

**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) Exercise of Stock Options.
- (2) Includes shares acquired in non-reportable Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) distributions since the date of the last Form 4 filing.

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- (3) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 25,443 shares, becomes exercisable in five (5) equal installments beginning May 23, 2013, which was the first anniversary of the date on which the option was granted.
- (4) Up to 20% of the total during the second year; up to 40% during the third year; up to 60% during the fourth year; up to 80% during the fifth year and during the sixth and each subsequent year until ten years from date of grant up to 100% of the total number of shares.

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