

GATONS RHONDA G
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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 *
GATONS RHONDA G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST MID ILLINOIS
BANCSHARES INC [FMBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1421 CHARLESTON AVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP, Director Human Resources

MATTOON, IL 61938

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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	12/15/2017		A		344 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 0	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2017		F		131 ⁽²⁾ \$ 38.45	D	
Common Stock					68.531	I	by 401k Plan

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GATONS RHONDA G 1421 CHARLESTON AVE MATTOON, IL 61938			SVP, Director Human Resources	

Signatures

/s/ Michael L. Taylor, attorney-in-fact for Rhonda G
Gatons

12/19/2017

**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).

The vesting of these awards was made in connection with the redesign of the Company's long-term incentive compensation program and

(1) were based on 90% of the maximum achievement level for the three year performance periods ending December 31, 2017, 2018, and 2019. The shares vested in full on December 15, 2017.

(2) Number of shares withheld to satisfy income tax withholding obligations in connection with shares of restricted stock that vested.

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