

GIBSON E RICKY
Form 4
March 26, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GIBSON E RICKY

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FIRST BANCSHARES INC /MS/
[FBMS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
127 W CANEBRAKE BLVD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/01/2011

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

HATTIESBURG, MS 39402

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
SERIES D NON VOTING CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK ⁽¹⁾	03/22/2013		P	5,854 A	\$ 10.25 5,854	D	
COMMON STOCK ⁽²⁾	02/01/2011		A	1,000 A	\$ 0 54,640	D	
COMMON STOCK ⁽³⁾	03/01/2012		A	1,000 A	\$ 0 60,640	D	
COMMON STOCK ⁽⁴⁾	03/01/2013		A	1,000 A	\$ 0 63,640	D	

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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 Following Report Transaction (Instr. 6)
				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
GIBSON E RICKY 127 W CANEBRAKE BLVD HATTIESBURG, MS 39402	X

Signatures

E. Ricky Gibson 03/26/2013
 **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) Shareholders of common stock of The First Bancshares, Inc. will vote on a proposal to convert the preferred shares into an equal number of common shares at a Shareholder's Meeting to be held on May 23, 2013, or as soon as practicable.
- (2) Restricted stock award, subject to forfeiture, vesting on 2-1-14, as previously disclosed in the Company's Proxy Statement on 4-25-11.
- (3) Restricted stock award, subject to forfeiture, vesting on 3-1-15, as previously disclosed in the Company's Proxy Statement on 4-23-12.
- (4) Restricted stock award, subject to forfeiture, vesting on 3-1-16.

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