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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

MELVIN GARY W

			FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES INC [FMBH]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)				Γransaction			_X_ Director Officer (give		0% Owner ther (specify
RR 1, BOX 226			(Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2009					below) below)			
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
			Filed(M	lonth/Da	y/Ye	ar)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by	One Reporting	Person
SULLIVAN, IL 61951 — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							Reporting				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									ally Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date			3.				red (A)	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any	xecution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				Securities Beneficially	Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
(111511115)		(Month/Day	y/Year)					Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	(Instr. 4)	
							(A)		Reported Transaction(s)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(111311. 4)	
Common Stock	01/05/2009			J (1)	V	2,164.789	A	\$ 23	264,218.163	D	
Common											By Deferred
Stock	01/05/2009			J(1)	V	311.888	A	\$ 23	38,066.777	I	Compensation Plan
											1 1411
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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Doof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Series B 9% Non-cumulative perpetual convertible preferred	(2)	02/11/2009		P	200	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	<u>(2)</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MELVIN GARY W							
RR 1, BOX 226	X						
SULLIVAN, IL 61951							

Signatures

Michael L. Taylor, pursuant to a power of attorney filed 11/01/02.

**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) Shares acquired through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan with dividends being paid on shares of common stock held.
- Each share of the Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (i) is convertible at any time into 227 shares of common stock and cash in lieu of (2) any fractional share of common stock, subject to certain adjustments, (ii) is convertible at First Mid-Illinois Bancshares' option under certain circumstances, and (iii) has no expiration date.

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