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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MITCHEM STEVEN G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC [GSBC]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2009

Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) below) Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

3990 E. WILSHIRE DRIVE

(Street)

(State)

4. 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

SPRINGFIELD, MO 65809

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

D

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common 01/09/2009 stock

Amount (D) Price P 723

77,756

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)

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/	Date Exercisable and xpiration 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	
Option to purchase	\$ 11.8908					<u>(1)</u>	01/20/2009	Common stock	1,200	
Option to purchase	\$ 7.922					(2)	09/20/2010	Common stock	5,000	
Option to purchase	\$ 12.8975					(3)	09/24/2011	Common stock	6,000	
Option to purchase	\$ 18.1875					<u>(4)</u>	09/18/2012	Common stock	6,000	
Option to purchase	\$ 20.12					<u>(5)</u>	09/25/2013	Common stock	7,000	
Option to purchase	\$ 32.07					<u>(6)</u>	09/22/2014	Common stock	5,250	
Option to purchase	\$ 30.34					<u>(7)</u>	09/20/2015	Common stock	5,250	
Option to purchase	\$ 30.66					(8)	10/18/2016	Common stock	4,200	
Option to purchase	\$ 25.48					<u>(9)</u>	10/17/2017	Common stock	4,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MITCHEM STEVEN G 3990 E. WILSHIRE DRIVE SPRINGFIELD, MO 65809

Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Steven G.

Mitchem 01/13/2009

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**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) 600 shares vest on 1/20/2003 and 1/20/2004
- (2) 1,250 shares vest on 9/20/2002, 9/20/2003, 9/20/2004 and 9/20/2005
- (3) 1,500 shares vest on 9/24/2003, 9/24/2004, 9/24/2005 and 9/24/2006
- (4) 1,500 shares vest on 9/18/2004, 9/18/2005, 9/18/2006 and 9/18/2007
- (5) 1,750 shares vest on 9/25/2005, 9/25/2006, 9/25/2007 and 9/25/2008
- (6) 1,148 shares vest on 12/31/2005 and 309 shares vest on 9/22/2006, 1,169 shares vest on 9/22/2007 and 1,312 shares vest on 9/22/2008 and 9/22/2009
- (7) 1,878 shares vest on 12/31/2005 and 748 shares vest on 9/20/2008 and 1,312 shares vest on 9/20/2009 and 9/20/2010
- (8) 1,050 shares vest on 10/18/2008, 10/18/2009, 10/18/2010 and 10/18/2011
- (9) 1,050 shares vest on 10/17/2009, 10/17/2010, 10/17/2011 and 10/17/2012

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