Sims Randall Form 4 January 16, 2009

FORM 4

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

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

HOME BANCSHARES INC

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Check all applicable) [HOMB] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) P.O. BOX 966 01/15/2009 First State Bank President/CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting CONWAY, AR 72033 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 4,226.038 (4) Ι By 401(k) Stock Common 51,299 D Stock By wife as Common custodian $2.0373^{(3)}$ I Stock for Daniel Sims Common 26,209 I By IRA Stock

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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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 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shar
Performance Stock Option	\$ 12.2	01/15/2009		A	4,044 (2)	01/01/2010	03/13/2016	Common Stock	4,044
Stock Option	\$ 6.79					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	57,17

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Sims Randall P.O. BOX 966 CONWAY, AR 72033	X		First State Bank President/CEO				

Signatures

/s/Randall Sims by Rachel
Starkey
01/16/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments. The option expires 10 years from the exercisable date, therefore the first installment became exercisable on December 31, 1999 and expires on December 31, 2019.

These performance based stock options were granted in March 2006 under the Home BancShares, Inc. 2006 Stock Option and
Performance Incentive Plan. For the person to become eligible, the Company has to meet certain objectives each year. As a result of the Company's 2008 performance, 10% of the total options granted were approved for eligibility by the Company's Compensation Committee.

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- (3) Includes 0.0049 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last filing.
- (4) Includes 10.264 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. 401(k) Plan since the last filing

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