

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**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
GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP
INC [GSBC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
4901 S. BOTHWELL
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/29/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____X____ Other (specify
below) below)
Treasurer / Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

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
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Person

SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock	08/29/2008		P	230 A \$ 10.37	6,270	D	
Common stock	08/29/2008		P	100 A \$ 10.362	6,370	D	
Common stock					2,131	I	401(k) 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. 3)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option to purchase	\$ 9.0783							<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2010	Common stock	5,000	
Option to purchase	\$ 7.922							<u>(2)</u>	09/20/2010	Common stock	3,120	
Option to purchase	\$ 12.8975							<u>(3)</u>	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							<u>(8)</u>	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
COPELAND REX A 4901 S. BOTHWELL SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804			Treasurer	Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Rex A.
Copeland

09/02/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) 2,500 Shares vest on 3/15/2004 and 3/15/2005

(2) 1,040 shares vest on 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) 891 shares vest on 12/31/2005, 566 shares vest on 9/22/2006, 1,169 shares vest on 9/22/2007 and 1,312 shares vest on 9/22/2008 & 9/22/2009

(7) 1,878 shares vest on 12/31/2005, 748 shares vest on 9/20/2008, 1,312 shares vest on 9/20/2009 & 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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