McRae Eric S Form 4 December 19, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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obligations

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * McRae Eric S

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

FIRST MID ILLINOIS **BANCSHARES INC [FMBH]**

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director _X__ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

1421 CHARLESTON AVE

(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2017

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

MATTOON, IL 61938

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivati	ve Sec	urities A	equired, Dispose	d of, or Bene	ficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/15/2017		A	5,056 (1)	A		16,015.969	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2017		F	2,432 (2)	D	\$ 38.45 (2)	13,583.969	D	
Common Stock							3,475.275	I	By 401k Plan
Common Stock							3,549.053	Ι	By Deferred Compensation Plan
							2,345.9437	I	By Ira

Common Stock

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)	of Expiration (Month/I			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 23					(3)	12/16/2018	Common Stock	2,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McRae Eric S

1421 CHARLESTON AVE Executive Vice President

MATTOON, IL 61938

Signatures

/s/ Michael L. Taylor, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
McRae

12/19/2017

**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).

The vesting of these awards was made in connection with the redesign of the Company's long-term incentive compensation program and (1) were based on 90% of the maximum achievement level for the three year performance periods ending December 31, 2017, 2018, and 2019. The shares vested in full on December 15, 2017.

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- (2) Number of shares withheld to satisfy income tax withholding obligations in connection with shares of restricted stock that vested.
- (3) Options become exercisable in 4 equal annual installments beginning on 01/01/2010.

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