

MIDSOUTH BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
July 25, 2014

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) July 25, 2014

MidSouth Bancorp, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-11826
(Commission
File Number)

72-1020809
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)
70501
(Zip Code)

102 Versailles Boulevard, Lafayette, Louisiana
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 337-237-8343

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Appointment of Principal Officer.

On July 25, 2014, MidSouth Bancorp, Inc. ("MidSouth") announced the appointment of Jeffery "Jeff" Blum as Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Credit Officer of MidSouth and its subsidiaries. As Chief Credit Officer, Mr. Blum will serve as a member of the Board of Directors' Loan Committee and Special Assets Committee. He will join MidSouth in early August. A native of Morgan City, Louisiana, Blum, age 45, worked for Whitney Bank for the past 21 years, having most recently served as Morgan City area president where his duties included managing the commercial lending group in St Mary Parish.

For his service, MidSouth expects to pay Mr. Blum an annual base salary of \$220,000, as well as provide Mr. Blum term life, disability and other insurance customarily provided to MidSouth's other executive officers. In addition, Mr. Blum will also be entitled to an automobile, moving expenses, payment of certain club dues and other perquisites provided to MidSouth's other executive officers. Mr. Blum will also be entitled to participate in MidSouth's incentive

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plans and receive awards thereunder when granted by the Board of Directors, including an award of 17,500 stock options granted on his date of hire.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated July 25, 2014

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 25, 2014

/s/ _____

James R. McLemore

Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer
