GILMER FRED JR

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GILMER FRED JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES INC [SFST]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

P.O. BOX 17465

(City)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

09/09/2009

(Street)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

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below)

Issuer

GREENVILLE, SC 29606

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acquired	, Disposed of, or	Beneficially Owned	

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of			d of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					()		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			G 1 17		or	ъ.	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	· ·		
Common	09/09/2009		A	5,586	٨	\$	49,418	D	
Stock	09/09/2009		A	3,300	A	6.06	49,410	ע	
Common	09/09/2009		C	5 506	D	¢ 0 1	12 922	D	
Stock	09/09/2009		S	5,586	ע	\$ 8.1	43,832	D	

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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 Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Warrants	\$ 6.06	09/09/2009		M	5,586	01/10/2001	01/10/2010	Common Stock, \$.01par	5,586

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GILMER FRED JR P.O. BOX 17465 GREENVILLE, SC 29606	X						

Signatures

Fred Gilmer, Jr.,/s/James M.
Austin.III. POA

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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