

FIRST BANCSHARES INC /MS/

Form 4

October 18, 2016

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 *
SEIDENBURG J DOUGLAS

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FIRST BANCSHARES INC /MS/
[FBMS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

18 LAKELAND DRIVE

(Street)

LAUREL, MS 39440

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/14/2016

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
SERIES E NONVOTING CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK ⁽¹⁾	10/14/2016		P	11,584 A	\$ 17.75 11,584	D	
SERIES E NONVOTING CONVERTIBLE PREFERRED STOCK ⁽¹⁾	10/14/2016		P	2,500 A	\$ 17.75 2,500	I	See Footnote ⁽²⁾

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. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SEIDENBURG J DOUGLAS 18 LAKELAND DRIVE LAUREL, MS 39440		X		

Signatures

J. Douglas
Seidenburg 10/18/2016

**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).

- (1) Shareholders of common stock of The First Bancshares, Inc. will vote on a proposal to convert the preferred shares into an equal number of common shares at a Shareholder's Meeting to be held on December 7, 2016, or as soon as practicable.

- Shares held of record by M.D. Outdoor LLC. The reporting person is a 1/2 owner of the company. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by M.D. Outdoor LLC except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the shares held by M.D. Outdoor LLC for any other purposes.

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