

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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)  
 08/21/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Treasurer/CFO / Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804

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

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

(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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common stock	08/21/2009		M	A	5,000	\$ 9.0783	11,370 D
Common stock	08/21/2009		S	D	5,000	\$ 21.9324	6,370 D
Common stock							3,264 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. Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase	\$ 9.0783	08/21/2009		M	2,500	03/15/2004 03/15/2010	Common stock	2,500
Option to purchase	\$ 9.0783	08/21/2009		M	2,500	03/15/2005 03/15/2010	Common stock	2,500
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
Option to purchase	\$ 8.36					<u>(10)</u> 11/19/2018	Common stock	4,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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4901 S. BOTHWELL  
SPRINGFIELD, MO 65804

Treasurer/CFO    Senior Vice Pres of Subsidiary

## Signatures

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

08/24/2009

\_\_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).  
Represents the weighted average sale price for multiple sale transactions by the reporting person on the date indicated. The range of such prices was \$21.8300 to \$22.0301. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (1) 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
- (10) 1,050 shares vest on 11/19/2010, 11/19/2011, 11/19/2012 and 11/19/2013

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