

McRae Eric S  
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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 \*  
McRae Eric S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FIRST MID ILLINOIS  
BANCSHARES INC [FMBH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
266 COBB AVENUE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/07/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

DECATUR, IL 62522

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)
Common Stock	01/07/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 4.003 A \$ 19	404.282	I	By Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock	02/23/2010		P	74.223 A \$ 16.6	478.505	I	By Deferred Compensation Plan
Common Stock	01/07/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 16.498 A \$ 19	1,666.196	I	By 401K
Common Stock	01/07/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 0.929 A \$ 19	93.864	I	By IRA
	01/07/2010		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1.394 A \$ 19	140.796	D	

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)

Table with 10 columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned. Includes sub-headers for Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, and Amount or Number of Shares.

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Entry for McRae Eric S, 266 COBB AVENUE, DECATUR, IL 62522, Vice President.

Signatures

Michael L. Taylor, pursuant to a power of attorney filed 12/18/08. Signature: \_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date: 02/25/2010

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) Shares acquired through the Company's dividend reinvestment plan with dividends being paid on shares of common stock held.

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