

FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES 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 \*  
**ROWLAND WILLIAM 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)  
**1 PRAIRIE SUN LANE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/11/2012**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**CEO**

**MATTOON, IL 61938**

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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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				(A) or (D)	Price					
Common Stock	12/11/2012		M	V	18,000	A	\$ 20.67	35,370.343	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2012		D		18,000	D	\$ 23.75	17,370.343	D	
Common Stock								9,294.95	I	By 401k Plan
Common Stock								6,880.545	I	By Deferred Comp Plan
								24,843.6	I	By IRA

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)

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
Stock Option	\$ 20.67	12/11/2012		M	18,000	<u>(1)</u> 12/16/2013	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Option	\$ 27.33					<u>(2)</u> 12/14/2014	Common Stock	18,000
Stock Option	\$ 26.1					<u>(3)</u> 12/11/2017	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 23					<u>(4)</u> 12/16/2018	Common Stock	4,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ROWLAND WILLIAM S 1 PRAIRIE SUN LANE MATTOON, IL 61938			CEO	

## Signatures

William S.  
Rowland 12/13/2012

\*\*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) Options became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on 1/1/2005.

(2) Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on 1/1/2006.

(3) Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on 1/1/2009.

(4) Options become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on 1/1/2010.

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