

MidWestOne Financial Group, 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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Ortale Gary John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MidWestOne Financial Group, Inc.
 [MOFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 102 SOUTH CLINTON STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/22/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 V.P., Interim CFO & Treasurer

IOWA CITY, IA 52240

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/22/2009 | | A | 300 | A \$ 0 | 600 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 4,800 | I | By IRA |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 1,200 | I | By Spousal IRA |

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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | (1) | (2) | | |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |
| Common Stock (Right To Buy) | \$ 16.69 | | | | | (1) | 04/01/2018 | Common Stock | 500 |
| Common Stock (Right To Buy) | \$ 9.34 | 01/22/2009 | | A | 500 | (2) | 01/22/2019 | Common Stock | 500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Ortale Gary John 102 SOUTH CLINTON STREET IOWA CITY, IA 52240 | | | V.P., Interim CFO & Treasurer | |

Signatures

Kenneth R. Urmie, under Power of Attorney dated January 22, 2009

01/26/2009

**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).

(1) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on April 1, 2009.

(2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on January 22, 2010.

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