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SOUTHSIDE BANCSHARES INC Form 8-K March 18, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): March 14, 2016

Southside Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Texas 0-12247 75-1848732 (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1201 S. Beckham,

Tyler, Texas 75701

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code) Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (903) 531-7111

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Item Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;
- 5.02. Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On March 14, 2016, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (the "Company") appointed Brian K. McCabe, one of the Company's named executive officers, to serve as its new Chief Information Officer. As of such date, Mr. McCabe will no longer serve as or have the title of Chief Analytics Officer or Secretary of the Company.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Southside Bancshares, Inc

By: /s/ Sam Dawson Sam Dawson Chief Executive Officer

Date: March 18, 2016