

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC  
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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 \*  
 TURNER JOSEPH W

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)  
 2190 N FARM ROAD 213  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 07/25/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President/CEO

STRAFFORD, MO 65757

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common stock	07/25/2008		P	200 A \$ 10.6	108,340	D	
Common stock	07/25/2008		P	525 A \$ 10.63	108,865	D	
Common stock	07/25/2008		P	100 A \$ 10.6488	108,965	D	
Common stock	07/25/2008		P	300 A \$ 10.66	109,265	D	
Common stock	07/25/2008		P	200 A \$ 10.5	200	I	Spouse's IRA

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Common stock	07/25/2008	P	200	A	\$ 10.53	400	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	07/25/2008	P	1,378	A	\$ 10.5399	1,778	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	07/25/2008	P	600	A	\$ 10.545	2,378	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock	07/25/2008	P	100	A	\$ 10.55	2,478	I	Spouse's IRA
Common stock						5,593	I	401(k) Plan
Common stock						8,700	I	Children's Trust
Common stock						369,738	I	Family Ltd Partnership

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase	\$ 20.12					(1)	09/25/2013	Common stock	16,000
Options to purchase	\$ 32.07					(2)	09/22/2014	Common stock	12,000
Option to purchase	\$ 30.34					(2)	09/20/2015	Common stock	12,000
Option to purchase	\$ 30.66					(3)	10/18/2016	Common stock	9,600

purchase Option to purchase	\$ 25.48	(4)	10/17/2017	stock Common stock	9,600
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TURNER JOSEPH W 2190 N FARM ROAD 213 STRAFFORD, MO 65757	X	X	President/CEO	

## Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Joseph W. Turner	07/25/2008
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\_\_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) 4,000 shares vest on 9/25/2005, 9/25/2006, 9/25/2007 and 9/25/2008
- (2) 12,000 shares vest on 12/31/2005
- (3) 2,400 shares vest on 10/18/2008, 10/18/2009, 10/18/2010 and 10/18/2011
- (4) 2,400 shares vest on 10/17/2009, 10/17/2010, 10/17/2011 and 10/17/2012

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