

FIRST MID ILLINOIS BANCSHARES 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 \*  
 SWIFT ROBERT J

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 6807 N COUNTRY CLUB ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/22/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP for Trust

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/21/2006		M	843.75 A \$ 16	843.75	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2006		M	843.75 A \$ 18.17	1,687.5	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2006		M	843.5 A \$ 31	2,531	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2006		S	2,531 D \$ 41.25	0	D	
Common Stock	01/09/2006		J <sup>(4)</sup>	V 6.516 A \$ 41	1,034.077	I	By 401K

Common Stock      01/09/2006      J<sup>(4)</sup> V 8.355 A \$ 41 1,325.911 I      By Deferred Comp

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options	\$ 16	02/21/2006		M	843.75	01/01/2006 12/18/2011	Common Stock	0	
Stock Options	\$ 18.17	02/22/2006		M	843.75	01/01/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 12/16/2012	Common Stock	843.7	
Stock Options	\$ 31	02/22/2006		M	843.5	01/01/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/16/2013	Common Stock	1,687.	
Stock Options	\$ 41					01/01/2006 <sup>(3)</sup> 12/14/2014	Common Stock	3,37	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SWIFT ROBERT J 6807 N COUNTRY CLUB ROAD MATTOON, IL 61938			EVP for Trust	

## Signatures

Robert J. Swift Jr.      02/22/2006

\*\*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 become exercisable on 1/1/2007.

(2) Options become exercisable as follows: .25 on 1/1/06; 843.75 on 1/1/07; 843.75 on 1/1/08.

(3) Options become exercisable in 4 equal annual installments beginning on 1/1/2006.

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

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