

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP 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 \*  
 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)  
 01/25/2008

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V Amount (D) Price  |   |  |  |
| Common stock                    | 01/25/2008                           |  | P                              | 371 A \$ 18.6818  | 108,140   | D  |  |
| Common stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,083   | 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 or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Option to purchase                         | \$ 20.12   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(1)</u> 09/25/2013                                    | 09/25/2013  | Common stock  | 16,000                     |
| Option to purchase                         | \$ 32.07   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(2)</u> 09/22/2014                                    | 09/22/2014  | Common stock  | 12,000                     |
| Option to purchase                         | \$ 30.34   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(2)</u> 09/20/2015                                    | 09/20/2015  | Common stock  | 12,000                     |
| Option to purchase                         | \$ 30.66   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(3)</u> 10/18/2016                                    | 10/18/2016  | Common stock  | 9,600                      |
| Option to purchase                         | \$ 25.48   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(4)</u> 10/17/2017                                    | 10/17/2017  | Common stock  | 9,600                      |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Joseph W. Turner 01/28/2008

\_\_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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