

## Section 1: 8-K (8-K)

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): January 17, 2019

**Southside Bancshares, Inc.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-12247  
(Commission File Number)

75-1848732  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1201 S. Beckham Avenue, Tyler, Texas  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

75701  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (903) 531-7111

N/A  
(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 Securities Act (17 CFR 230-425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240-14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.



**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On January 17, 2019, M. Richard Warner, a member of the Board of Directors of Southside Bancshares, Inc. (the “Company”), notified the Company of his intention to not stand for re-election at the Company’s next annual shareholder meeting in May 2019 (the “2019 Annual Meeting”). Mr. Warner will continue to serve as a director of the Company until the expiration of his term at the 2019 Annual Meeting. Mr. Warner was appointed to the Company’s Board of Directors in connection with the Company’s acquisition of Diboll State Bancshares, Inc. in 2017. Mr. Warner did not notify the Company of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies, or practices.

Also on January 17, 2019, Alton Cade, a member of the Company’s Board of Directors, notified the Company of his retirement as a director of the Company at the end of his term, effective with the date of the 2019 Annual Meeting. Mr. Cade has served as a director of the Company since 2003. Mr. Cade did not notify the Company of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to its operations, policies, or practices.

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.**

Date: January 22, 2019

By: /s/ Julie N. Shamburger

Julie N. Shamburger, CPA

Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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