

GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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|---|---------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Thomason Linton J | | (Month/Day/Year) | GREAT SOUTHERN BANCORP INC [GSBC] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 08/16/2006 | |
| 1412 FOUR WINDS DRIVE | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| NIXA,Â MOÂ 65714 | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | (give title below) (specify below) | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| | | | Vice President of Subsidiary | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common stock | 4,065 | D | Â |
| Common stock | 215 | I | Spouse's 401(k) |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Option to purchase | Â (1) | 10/21/2008 | Common stock | 374 | \$ 12 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (2) | 10/20/2009 | Common stock | 498 | \$ 10.75 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (3) | 09/20/2010 | Common stock | 500 | \$ 7.922 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (4) | 09/24/2011 | Common stock | 2,500 | \$ 12.8975 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (5) | 09/18/2012 | Common stock | 2,500 | \$ 18.1875 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (6) | 09/25/2013 | Common stock | 3,000 | \$ 20.12 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (7) | 09/22/2014 | Common stock | 2,250 | \$ 32.07 | D | Â |
| Option to purchase | Â (8) | 09/20/2015 | Common stock | 2,250 | \$ 30.34 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|---------------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| Thomason Linton J 1412 FOUR WINDS DRIVE NIXA, MO 65714 | Â | Â | Â | | Vice President of Subsidiary |

Signatures

Matt Snyder, Attorney-in-fact for Linton J.
Thomason

09/29/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 374 shares vest on 10/21/2003
- (2) 123 shares vest on 10/20/2003 and 375 vest on 10/20/2004
- (3) 500 shares vest on 9/20/2005
- (4) 625 vest on 9/24/2003, 9/24/2004, 9/24/2005 and 9/24/2006
- (5) 625 shares vest on 9/18/2004, 9/18/2005, 9/18/2006 and 9/18/2007
- (6) 750 shares vest on 9/25/2005, 9/25/2006, 9/25/2007 and 9/25/2008

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(7) 1,918 shares vest on 12/31/2005 and 332 shares vest on 9/22/2009

(8) 563 shares vest on 9/20/2007 & 9/20/2008 and 562 shares vest on 9/20/2009 & 9/20/2010

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