

Thomason Linton J
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Thomason Linton J

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)
 1412 FOUR WINDS DRIVE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/19/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Vice President of Subsidiary

NIXA, MO 65714
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common stock					6,317	D	
Common stock					445	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 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. Fair Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to purchase	\$ 8.36	11/19/2008		A	475	11/19/2010	11/19/2018	Common stock	475
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Option to purchase	\$ 8.36	11/19/2008		A	475	11/19/2013	11/19/2018	Common stock	475
Option to purchase	\$ 10.75					<u>(1)</u>	10/20/2009	Common stock	498
Option to purchase	\$ 7.922					<u>(2)</u>	09/20/2010	Common stock	500
Option to purchase	\$ 12.8975					<u>(3)</u>	09/24/2011	Common stock	2,500
Option to purchase	\$ 18.1875					<u>(4)</u>	09/18/2012	Common stock	2,500
Option to purchase	\$ 20.12					<u>(5)</u>	09/25/2013	Common stock	3,000
Option to purchase	\$ 32.07					<u>(6)</u>	09/22/2014	Common stock	2,250
Option to purchase	\$ 30.34					<u>(7)</u>	09/20/2015	Common stock	2,250
Option to purchase	\$ 30.66					<u>(8)</u>	10/18/2016	Common stock	1,800
Option to purchase	\$ 25.48					<u>(9)</u>	10/17/2017	Common stock	1,900
Option to purchase	\$ 8.36	11/19/2008		A	200	11/19/2010	11/19/2018	Common stock	200

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- (10) 250 shares vest on 10/20/2005, 10/20/2006, 10/20/2007 and 10/20/2008
- (11) 600 shares vest on 12/31/2005
- (12) 1,000 shares vest on 12/31/2005
- (13) 200 shares vest on 10/18/2008, 10/18/2009, 10/18/2010 and 10/18/2011
- (14) 200 shares vest on 10/17/2009, 10/17/2010, 10/17/2011 and 10/17/2012

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