May 9, 2024 Mark A. Chambers CEO and President Southern States Bancshares, Inc. 615 Quintard Ave. Anniston, AL 36201 Re: Southern States Bancshares, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-4 Filed May 2, 2024 File No. 333-279079 Dear Mark A. Chambers: This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement. Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for

acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Arzonetti at 202-551-8819 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Office of Finance

Division of Corporation Finance

cc:

Clint Smith

Please contact Robert