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): July 19, 2023



Southern States Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Alabama	001-40727	26-2518085
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
615 Quintard Ave.		
Anniston, AL		36201
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant's to	elephone number, including area co	de: (256) 241-1092
Securities	s registered pursuant to Section 12	(b) of the Act:
<u>Title of each class</u>	Trading <u>Symbols(s)</u>	Name of exchange on which registered
Common Stock, \$5.00 par value	SSBK	The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 425 under □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to R	the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425) Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Ille 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (2 Ille 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (1 Ille 13e-4) Exchange	L7 CFR 240.13e 4(c)) ule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) the extended transition period for complying with any new or

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 19, 2023, the Board of Directors of the Company declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.09 per share on the Company's common stock (the "Dividend"). The Dividend is payable on August 17, 2023 to shareholders of record as of August 3, 2023. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Description

99.1 Press Release, dated July 19, 2023

104 Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 21, 2023

SOUTHERN STATES BANCSHARES, INC.

By: /s/ Lynn Joyce

Name: Lynn Joyce

Title: Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



Southern States Bancshares, Inc. Announces Quarterly Cash Dividend of \$0.09 per Share

ANNISTON, Alabama, July 19, 2023 – Southern States Bancshares, Inc. (NASDAQ: SSBK) ("Southern States"), the holding company for Southern States Bank, an Alabama state-chartered commercial bank (the "Bank"), today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend on its common stock of \$0.09 per share. The dividend is payable on August 17, 2023 to shareholders of record as of August 3, 2023.

About Southern States Bancshares, Inc.

Headquartered in Anniston, Alabama, Southern States Bancshares, Inc. is a bank holding company that operates primarily through its wholly-owned subsidiary, Southern States Bank. The Bank is a full-service community banking institution, which offers an array of deposit, loan and other banking-related products and services to businesses and individuals in its communities. The Bank operates 13 branches in Alabama and Georgia and two loan production offices in Atlanta.

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