FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| STATEMENT | OF CHANGES I | N BENEFICIAL | OWNERSHIP |
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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Pumroy Jay F. | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Southern States Bancshares, Inc. [SSBK] | | | | | | | | (Ch | elationship eck all app X Direc | , | ng Pers | son(s) to Is | | | |
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| (Street) ANNIST (City) | | | 6201 Zip) | | 4. If A | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | Line | e) <mark>X</mark> Form | or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) | | | | | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) (D) | or | Price | Transa (Instr. 3 | ction(s) | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$5.00 per share 01/03 | | | 01/03/2 | 2023 | | A | | 526(1) | | 4 | \$0.00 | 0 103,012 | | | D | | | | |
| | 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 Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transa Code (8) | | Str. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins: 3 and 4) Amou or Numb of Title Share | | ount | 8. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | y C | 0. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant of restricted stock

Remarks:

/s/ Jay F. Pumroy, by Jeff Shanks as Attorney-in-Fact

01/05/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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