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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Thompson William G | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|
| | HOME BANCSHARES INC [HOMB] | (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) P.O. BOX 966 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2009 | _X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | |
| CONWAY, AR 72033 | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |

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|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|--|--|---|
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tab | le I - Non- | Derivativ | e Secu | ırities Ac | quired, Disposed | of, or Benefic | cially 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. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3, | ispose 4 and (A) or | d of (D) 5) Price | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2009 | | S | 2,000 | D | \$ 20.67 | 28,182 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/29/2009 | | S | 100 | D | \$ 21.85 | 43,511 | I | By Thompson Brothers LLC |
| Common Stock | 02/02/2009 | | S | 3,000 | D | \$ 20.59 | 40,511 | I | By Thompson Brothers LLC |
| | | | | | | | 2,859 | I | By IRA |

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Common Stock

| Common Stock | 328 | I | Thompson Investments LLC |
|-----------------|-------|---|--------------------------|
| Common Stock | 3,340 | I | By wife's IRA |

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities | 8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5 |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Stock Option | \$ 18.93 | | | | | <u>(1)</u> | 01/09/2018 | Common Stock | 1,080 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Thompson William G P.O. BOX 966 CONWAY, AR 72033 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/William G. Thompson by Rachel 02/02/2009 Starkey

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on January 10, 2009.

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