MITCHELL GUY WILLIAM III

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MITCHELL GUY WILLIAM III Issuer Symbol BANCORPSOUTH INC [BXS] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director (Month/Day/Year) 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify 817 DEBEAU DRIVE 10/08/2008 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **TUPELO, MS 38803** Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - N	on-	Derivative Se	ecuriti	es Acquii	red, Disposed of, o	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities nor Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 and	of (D)	` /	Beneficially Form: Owned Direct	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	10/08/2008		A	V	391.8677 $\underline{^{(1)}}$	A	\$ 28.07	21,694.5441	D	
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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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MITCHELL GUY WILLIAM III 817 DEBEAU DRIVE TUPELO, MS 38803	X						

Signatures

Guy W.
Mitchell, III

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Stock granted as compensation pursuant to the BancorpSouth, Inc. Director Fee Stock Plan.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.

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