

FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**WISE STEPHANIE R**  
  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)  
**ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500**  
  
 (Street)  
**ITASCA, IL 60143**  
  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRST MIDWEST BANCORP INC [FMBI]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/15/2008**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP, Bus.& Institutional Svcs.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/16/2008		F(1)	V 175 D	\$ 23.785 3,810	D	
Common Stock					7,144 (2)	I	By Profit Sharing Plan Trust

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. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Phantom Stock under NQ Retirement Plan	(3)	08/15/2008		A	12 (4)	(3) (3)	Common Stock	12 \$ 23.

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WISE STEPHANIE R ONE PIERCE PLACE, SUITE 1500 ITASCA, IL 60143				EVP, Bus.& Institutional Svcs.

## Signatures

By: Andrea L. Stangl, Attorney-in-fact for Stephanie R. Wise  
08/19/2008

\_\_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) On August 16, 2006 the Issuer granted the Reporting Person a Restricted Stock Award (RSA) of 1,183 restricted shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Omnibus Stock Incentive Plan (Plan) which were scheduled to vest in two equal annual installments on the first and second anniversary of the date of grant. On August 16, 2008, 591 shares of the originally granted RSAs vested, of which 175 shares were surrendered by the Reporting Person in order to satisfy tax withholding obligations. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of such shares to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation.
- (2) Between May 21, 2008 and August 19, 2008 the Reporting Person acquired the following shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Savings and Profit Sharing Plan: (a) 133 shares pursuant to the Dividend Reinvestment feature of the Plan; and (b) 192 shares pursuant to payroll contributions. This information is based on a plan statement dated July 21, 2008.
- (3)

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Shares of phantom stock acquired under the Nonqualified Retirement Plan have a 1-for-1 conversion ratio and are payable in cash following the termination of the Reporting Person's employment with First Midwest Bancorp, Inc.

- (4) Between August 6, 2008 and August 19, 2008 the Reporting Person acquired 12 shares of First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Common Stock under the First Midwest Bancorp, Inc. Nonqualified Retirement Plan through the bi-weekly employee contribution feature of the Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated August 15, 2008.

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