SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES INC
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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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SEAVER R ARTHUR JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

P.O. BOX 17465

(Street)

GREENVILLE, SC 29606

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SOUTHERN FIRST BANCSHARES INC [SFST]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S		6,372	D	$ 33	49,793	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S		18	D	$ 33.125	49,775	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S		310	D	$ 33.1	49,465	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S		100	D	$ 33.15	49,365	D	
Common Stock	02/14/2017		S		200	D	$ 33.005	49,165	D	

Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	6,817	D	$ 33	42,348	D
Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	245	D	$ 33.1	42,103	D
Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	31	D	$ 33.05	42,072	D
Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	207	D	$ 33.15	41,865	D
Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	200	D	$ 33.175	41,665	D
Common Stock	02/15/2017	S	500	D	$ 33.005	41,165	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	13	D	$ 33.25	41,152	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	8,692	D	$ 33	32,460	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	40	D	$ 33.2	32,420	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	757	D	$ 33.05	31,663	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	20	D	$ 33.225	31,643	D
Common Stock	02/16/2017	S	400	D	$ 33.055	31,243	D

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)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)		Title		

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SEAVER R ARTHUR JR P.O. BOX 17465 GREENVILLE, SC 29606	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

R. Arthur Seaver, Jr., /s/Julie A Fairchild, POA	02/16/2017
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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