

Padgett Hunter
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**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 *
Padgett Hunter

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HOME BANCSHARES INC
[HOMB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
P.O. BOX 966
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/22/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Marine Bank President & CEO

CONWAY, AR 72033

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	01/22/2009		P		100 A \$ 21.08	3,168 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₄₎	D
Common Stock	01/22/2009		P		200 A \$ 20.94	3,268	D
Common Stock	01/22/2009		P		100 A \$ 20.94	3,468	D
Common Stock	01/22/2009		P		100 A \$ 20.93	3,568	D
Common Stock	01/22/2009		P		100 A \$ 20.93	3,668	D

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- * 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) Includes 17,7884 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last filing.
- (2) Includes 276,504 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, inc. 401(k) Plan since the last filing.
Options were granted by Marine Bancorp. Upon merger with Home BancShares on 6/1/2005, these options became 100% vested.
However, prior to the merger, 3,503 Preferred B options were vested with an expiration date of 12/20/2014. The remaining 3,480 Preferred B options were vested on 6/1/2005 with an expiration date of 12/20/2014. Upon conversion into common stock options, 20,888 options were vested with an expiration date of 12/20/2014.
- (3) Preferred B options were vested on 6/1/2005 with an expiration date of 12/20/2014. Upon conversion into common stock options, 20,888 options were vested with an expiration date of 12/20/2014.
- (4) The reporting person received shares as a result of the Company declaring an 8% stock dividend to shareholders of record as of August 13, 2008 and made payable on August 27, 2008.
- (5) The exercise price decreased as a result of the Company declaring an 8% stock dividend to shareholders of record as of August 13, 2008 and made payable on August 27, 2008.

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