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Instruction 1(b)

## FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person' (Check all applicable) Midland States Bancorp, Inc. [MSBI] HOLSCHBACH LEON J Director x 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) below) below) 03/31/2019 1201 NETWORK CENTRE DR. 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (Street) Х Form filed by One Reporting Person **EFFINGHAM** 62401 IL Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (Citv) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date Execution Date. Transaction Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially Owned Following (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr 8) 5) Beneficial Ownership Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (A) or (D) Code v Amount Price Common Stock 151,492(1) D Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 1. Title of Derivative 8. Price of Derivative 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 9. Number of 10. Ownership 11. Nature Conversion Execution Date of Indirect Date Transaction Derivative Expiration Date of Securities derivative Code (Instr. 8) Security (Instr. 3) or Exercise Price of Underlying Derivative Security (Month/Day/Year) Securities (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Form: Direct (D) Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) Beneficially Ownership Derivative or Disposed (Instr. 3 and 4) Owned or Indirect (Instr. 4) of (D) (Instr 3, 4 and 5) Following Reported Security (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) Amount (Instr. 4) Date Expiration Number Exercisable of Shares Code v (A) (D) Date Title Common Commo \$24.06<sup>(3)</sup> 42.4132 (2) 03/31/2019 42.4132 (4) 4.252.2402 А (4) D Share Stock Equivalen Option Commor (right to 14.072 \$16 12/13/2022 14.072 D Stock buy) Option Common (right to \$18 16 (6) 12/06/2020 11.820 11.820 D Stock buy) Option Commo \$16.59 (7) 12/10/2023 16,274 16,274 D (right to Stock buy) Option Common (8) 12/02/2024 22,762 (right to \$21 22.762 D Stock buy) Ontion Common 30,364 (right to \$15.2 (9) 12/31/2019 30,364 D Stock buy) Option Commo \$14.75 (10) 12/16/2021 14,556 14,556 D (right to Stock buy) Option Common (11) 08/05/2024 90,000 \$18 90.000 D (right to Stock buy)

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Includes holdings through a self-directed IRA or revocable grantor trust

2. Represents common share equivalents acquired by the reporting person in the DDCP pursuant to the reinvestment of dividends received during the quarter on common share equivalents held in the DDCP by the reporting person at the time such dividend was paid on the underlying shares, based upon closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter. Common share equivalents received for dividend reinvestments are fully vested on the transaction date listed above and become payable upon termination of service as a director.

3. Represents common share equivalents acquired by the reporting person in the DDCP pursuant to the reinvestment of dividends received during the quarter on common share equivalents held in the DDCP by the reporting person at the time such dividend was paid on the underlying shares, based upon closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter. Common share equivalents received for dividend reinvestments fully vested on the transaction date listed above and become payable upon termination of service as a director.

4. Common share equivalents become payable upon termination of service as a director except for any unvested portion of the Issuer matching contribution.

5. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/13/2012 date of grant.

6. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/06/2010 date of grant.

7. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/10/2013 date of grant.

8. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/02/2014 date of grant.

9. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/31/2009 date of grant.

10. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/16/2011 date of grant.

11. Options vested on 12/31/2017.

Remarks:

/s/ Douglas J. Tucker, attorney-04/02/2019

in-fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  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).

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Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Douglas J. Tucker and Sarah Leonard as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) prepare, execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, and submit to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the Commission of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or any rule or regulation of the SEC;

(2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a reporting person of Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") pursuant to Section 16 of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder;

(3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto and file such fonn with the Commission and the applicable stock exchange or similar authority; and

(4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of any of such attorneys-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by any of such attorneys in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as any of such attorneys-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to act separately and to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that any of such attorneys-in-fact, or the substitute or substitutes of any of such attorneys-in-fact, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as  $% \left( {{\left[ {{L_{\rm s}} \right]} \right]_{\rm s}}} \right)$ 

of this 2nd day of February, 2016

/s/Leon J. Holschbach Signature

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