

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): **August 8, 2017**

**Midland States Bancorp, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

**Illinois**

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-35272**

(Commission File Number)

**37-1233196**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1201 Network Centre Drive**

**Effingham, Illinois 62401**

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(217) 342-7321**

**N/A**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On August 8, 2017, Midland States Bancorp, Inc. announced that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.20 per share of its common stock. The dividend is payable on or about August 25, 2017 to shareholders of record on August 18, 2017. A copy of the press release announcing the dividend is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.****(d) Exhibits.**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release of Midland States Bancorp, Inc., dated August 8, 2017

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: August 8, 2017

MIDLAND STATES BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Douglas J. Tucker  
Name: Douglas J. Tucker  
Title: Senior Vice President and Corporate Counsel

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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**Midland States Bancorp, Inc. Declares Quarterly Cash Dividend of \$0.20 Per Share**

EFFINGHAM, Ill., Aug. 08, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Midland States Bancorp, Inc. (NASDAQ:MSBI) announced today that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.20 per share. The dividend is payable on or about August 25, 2017 to all shareholders of record as of the close of business on August 18, 2017.

**About Midland States Bancorp, Inc.**

Midland States Bancorp, Inc. is a community-based financial holding company headquartered in Effingham, Illinois, and is the sole shareholder of Midland States Bank. As of June 30, 2017, the Company had total assets of \$4.5 billion and its Wealth Management Group had assets under administration of approximately \$1.9 billion. Midland provides a full range of commercial and consumer banking products and services, merchant credit card services, trust and investment management, and insurance and financial planning services. In addition, commercial equipment leasing services are provided through Heartland Business Credit, and multi-family and healthcare facility FHA financing is provided through Love Funding, Midland's non-bank subsidiaries. For additional information, visit [www.midlandsb.com](http://www.midlandsb.com) or follow Midland on LinkedIn at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/midland-states-bank>.

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