FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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cuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Evehange Act of 1024

or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940																				
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Stewart James Randall</u>							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Midland States Bancorp, Inc. [MSBI]										of Reportin icable) or r (give title	ng Person(s) to Iss 10% Ow Other (s		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 NETWORK CENTRE DR.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2016										X below) below) Chief Risk Officer / Midland States Bank				
(Street) EFFINGHAM IL 62401 (City) (State) (Zip)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) 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. Transa Date (Month/D						ar) I	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				Benefic	es ially Following	Forn (D) c	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
										Code	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price	Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(111511.4)
Common Sock 12/10/2						2016				F		107		D	\$32.1	17 5	,737		D	
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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year				and 7. Title and of Securiti Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 an		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Da Ex	ite ercisable		opiration	Title	OI N Of	umber					
Option (right to buy)	\$23									(1)	11	/03/2025	Comm		9,012		9,012		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$16									(2)	12	2/13/2022	Comm		1,594		1,594		D	

(3)

(5)

Explanation of Responses:

\$16.59

\$21

\$16

\$28.59

- 1. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 11/03/2015 date of grant.
- 2. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/13/2012 date of grant.
- 3. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/10/2013 date of grant.
- 4. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/02/2014 date of grant.
- 5. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 09/05/2012 date of grant.
- 6. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 11/16/2016 date of grant.

Remarks:

Option

(right to buy)

Option

(right to buy)

Option

(right to buy)

Option

(right to

/s/ Stewart James R

Common

Stock

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Stock

4,123

5,394

10,000

4,532

12/10/2023

12/02/2024

09/05/2022

11/16/2026

12/12/2016

4,123

5.394

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/s/ Douglas J. Tucker, attorney-12/12/2016 in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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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).

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

of this 2nd day of February, 2016

/s/James R. Stewart Signature

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