FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Brunoehler Jeffrey A.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Midland States Bancorp, Inc. [MSBI]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. [Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								Y Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1201 NETWORK CENTRE DR.					12/	12/31/2016								SVP Credit - CCO / Midland States Bank					
(Street)				4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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(City) (State) (Zip)														Person					
1 Title of	Security (Ins		le I - N	on-Deriv		_	Deem		quired	l, Di	sposed (of, or Be		ially	Owned		6.0	Ownership	7. Nature
Date			Date	Date Month/Day/Year) i		Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.					and 5) Securit		ies ially Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(113111 4)	
Common				12/31/		\downarrow			A		231.69		_	81(1)			_	D	
Common	Stock			12/31/					A		42.643		<u> </u>	18(2)	<u> </u>	30.464		D	
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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Dee		4.			ımber			sable and	7. Title an			Price of	9. Number		10.	11. Nature
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Exercise (Month/Day/Year) ce of rivative	Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Ye	´	Code (I				Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Se	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares						
Option (right to buy)	\$17.5								(3)		08/02/2020	Common Stock	25,00	00		25,000)	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$16								(4)		12/13/2022	Common Stock	4,76	4		4,764		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$16.59								(5)		12/10/2023	Common Stock	5,15	4		5,154		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$23								(6)		11/03/2025	Common Stock	9,57	6		9,576		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$21								(7)		12/02/2024	Common Stock	6,40	6		6,406		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$14.75								(8)		12/16/2021	Common Stock	4,82	9		4,829		D	
Option (right to buy)	\$18								(9)		08/05/2024	Common Stock	10,00	00		10,000)	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$28.59								(10)		11/16/2026	Common Stock	4,47	5		4,475		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares acquired by the reporting person through contributions to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan of the Issuer (ESPP) for the calendar quarter. Pursuant to the ESPP, the price used for each quarterly purchase is the lower of 90% of the fair market of the Issuers shares on the first day of the calendar quarter or the closing price of the shares on the last day of the quarter.
- 2. Represents shares acquired by the reporting person in the ESPP pursuant to the reinvestment of dividends received during the quarter on shares held in the ESPP by the reporting person at the time such dividend was paid based upon the closing price of the underlying shares on the last day of the quarter.
- $3. \ These \ options \ vest \ in four \ equal \ annual \ installments \ beginning \ one \ year \ after \ the \ 08/02/2010 \ date \ of \ grant.$
- 4. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/13/2012 date of grant.
- $5. \ These \ options \ vest \ in \ four \ equal \ annual \ installments \ beginning \ one \ year \ after \ the \ 12/10/2013 \ date \ of \ grant.$
- 6. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 11/03/2015 date of grant.
- 7. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/02/2014 date of grant.
- 8. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 12/16/2011 date of grant.
- 9. Such options will vest on 12/31/2017 if specific performance metrics are satisfied, as determined by the Board of Directors.

10. These options vest in four equal annual installments beginning one year after the 11/16/2016 date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/ Brunoehler Jeffrey A /s/ Douglas J. Tucker, attorney-01/04/2017 in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * 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

of this 2nd day of February, 2016

/s/Jeffrey A. Brunoehler Signature

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