

Sims Randall
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FORM 4

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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 *
Sims Randall

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)
01/15/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
First State Bank President/CEO

CONWAY, AR 72033

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					4,226.038 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					51,299	D	
Common Stock					2.0373 ⁽³⁾	I	By wife as custodian for Daniel Sims
Common Stock					26,209	I	By IRA

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

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Stock Option	\$ 12.2	01/15/2009		A	4,044 (2)	01/01/2010 03/13/2016	Common Stock	4,044
Stock Option	\$ 6.79					(1) (1)	Common Stock	57,170

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sims Randall P.O. BOX 966 CONWAY, AR 72033	X		First State Bank President/CEO	

Signatures

/s/Randall Sims by Rachel Starkey
01/16/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The option is exercisable in five equal annual installments. The option expires 10 years from the exercisable date, therefore the first installment became exercisable on December 31, 1999 and expires on December 31, 2019.

(2) These performance based stock options were granted in March 2006 under the Home BancShares, Inc. 2006 Stock Option and Performance Incentive Plan. For the person to become eligible, the Company has to meet certain objectives each year. As a result of the Company's 2008 performance, 10% of the total options granted were approved for eligibility by the Company's Compensation Committee.

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- (3) Includes 0.0049 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. Dividend Reinvestment Plan since the last filing.
- (4) Includes 10.264 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. 401(k) Plan since the last filing

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