MIDSOUTH BANCORP INC Form 8-K November 01, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 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)

October 31, 2012

MidSouth Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Louisiana 1-11826 72-1020809
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)
102 Versailles Boulevard, Lafayette, Louisiana 70501

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 337-237-8343

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On October 31, 2012, the Board of MidSouth Bancorp, Inc. announced a cash dividend was declared in the amount of seven cents (\$.07) per share to be paid on its common stock on January 2, 2013 to shareholders of record on December 14, 2012. The Company's press release announcing the cash dividend is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release for Quarterly Dividend dated November 1, 2012.

Signature

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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.

MIDSOUTH BANCORP, INC. Registrant

By: /s/ James R. McLemore James R. McLemore Chief Financial Officer

Date: November 1, 2012