

Hester Kevin
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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 *
 Hester Kevin

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)
 01/22/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Lending Officer

CONWAY, AR 72033

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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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/22/2013		S	8,350 D \$ 35	14,068 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock - Performance Based					2,000 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock					1,782	I	Held by IRA
Common Stock					1,213.002 ⁽⁴⁾	I	By 401(k)
						D	

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Common Stock - Restricted 4,192 (1) (2) (5) (6)

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)

Table with 10 columns: 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), 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5), 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5).

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Entry: Hester Kevin, P.O. BOX 966, CONWAY, AR 72033, Chief Lending Officer.

Signatures

/s/Kevin Hester by Rachel Wesson 01/23/2013 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
(1) The reporting person had 366 shares vest since the last filing.
(2) Restricted Stock granted on August 2, 2012 will "cliff" vest 100% three years from award date.
(3)

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The Performance Stock awarded on August 2, 2012 will "cliff" vest on the third annual anniversary of the date that the performance goal is met. The performance goal will be met as of the end of the calendar quarter when the Company has averaged \$0.625 diluted earnings per share for four consecutive quarters or \$2.50 total diluted earnings per share over a period of four consecutive quarters.

- (4) Includes 4.681 shares acquired through the Home BancShares, Inc. 401(k) Plan since the last filing.
- (5) Restricted Stock granted on February 2, 2011 will vest in 33 1/3% installments over three years each February 2nd.
- (6) Restricted Stock granted on January 22, 2010 will vest in 33 1/3% installments over three years each January 22nd.

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