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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Ottinger Steve

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 NORTH MAIN STREET

(Street)

GREENEVILLE, TN 37743

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GREEN BANKSHARES, INC. [GRNB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/19/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

SVP & CHR

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Code (Instr. 8)

3.

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

GRNB -Conmon

Stock (1)

02/19/2009

Α

2,005

V Amount (D)

11,963 (2)

Price

D

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights (3) (4)	\$ 7.08	02/19/2009		A	2,005	02/19/2010	02/19/2014	GRNB - Common Stock	2,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ottinger Steve

100 NORTH MAIN STREET SVP & CHR

GREENEVILLE, TN 37743

Signatures

James E. Adams, POA 02/26/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Restricted Stock Award 20% vested on 2/19/2010 and then 20% annually thereafter through 2/19/2014.
- (2) Includes 237 shares held jointly with spouse.
- (3) This stock appreciation right is to settle in cash.
- (4) 20% vested 2/19/2010 then 20% vested annually thereafter through 2/19/2014.
- (5) Various exercise prices and expiration dates.

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