

MidWestOne Financial Group, Inc.
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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 *
 POTHOVEN JOHN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MidWestOne Financial Group, Inc.
 [MOFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/22/2009

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

102 SOUTH CLINTON STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

IOWA CITY, IA 52240

(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 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	01/22/2009		A	500 A \$ 0	27,975	D	
Common Stock					600	I	Self/UTMA Custodian Minor Grandchildren (1)
Common Stock					14,999	I	By IRA
Common Stock					34,663	I	By ESOP

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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)	8. Price or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Stock Option	\$ 16.86					(2) 12/31/2012	Common Stock 4,750	
Stock Option	\$ 19.75					(2) 12/31/2013	Common Stock 4,987	
Stock Option	\$ 21.94					(2) 12/31/2014	Common Stock 4,750	
Stock Option	\$ 18.71					(2) 12/30/2015	Common Stock 2,375	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
POTHOVEN JOHN P 102 SOUTH CLINTON STREET IOWA CITY, IA 52240		X		

Signatures

Kenneth R. Urmie, as Power of Attorney dated January 22, 2009

01/26/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Registered to self as custodian for minor grandchildren under Uniform Transfers to Minors Act. The reporting person disclaims beneficial

(1) ownership of these shares, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

(2) Fully vested.

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