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AMSOUTH BANCORPORATION Form 4 April 05, 2006 FORM 4 Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).								OMB Number: Expires: Estimated a burden hour response	•		
(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> RITTER C DOWD					nd Ticker or		c	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2006					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Chairman, President and CEO			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 			
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								ly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deen Executior any (Month/D	Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	sposed	of (D)	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)	
Common Stock	04/03/2006			А	43,500	А	\$ 27.48	454,643	D		
Common Stock								103,180.9163 (1)	Ι	By 401(k)	
Common Stock								300,000	Ι	By GRAT	
Common Stock								19,333 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Spouse	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5))		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Shar
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.48	04/03/2006		A	371,300	04/02/2007 <u>(3)</u>	04/02/2016	Common Stock	371

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
RITTER C DOWD 1900 5TH AVENUE NORTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35203	Х		Chairman, President and CEO				
Signatures							
By: Michelle Bridges - Attorne in Fact	/ 04/04/2006						
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person		Date					

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

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

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Between December 31, 2005 and March 31, 2006, the reporting person acquired 1,584.0315 shares of AmSouth Bancorporation's (1)common stock held in the reporting person's account in the AmSouth Stock Fund of the AmSouth Thrift Plan.

(2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

(3) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on April 2, 2007.

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