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ISSUER

CapitalSouth Bancorp

CIK: **1338977** | IRS No.: **631026645** | State of Incorporation: **DE** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>Sandridge William A.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 2340 WOODCREST PLACE (Street) BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 08/21/2008	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CapitalSouth Bancorp [CAPB]</u>		
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ___ Director ___ 10% Owner <u>X</u> Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below) <u>Chief Credit Officer</u>		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <u>X</u> Form Filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

Signatures

Carol W. Marsh, as attorney-in-fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

08/28/2008

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all men by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Carol W. Marsh, Edison K. Woodie, III, and Laura P. Washburn, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the capacity as an officer and/or director of CapitalSouth Bancorp, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5, Schedule 13D and Schedule 13G and amendments thereto in accordance with Sections 13(d) and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, and any other forms or reports the undersigned may be required to file in connection with the undersigned's ownership, acquisition, or disposition of securities of the Company;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form 3, 4 or 5, Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, or other form or report, and timely file such form, schedule or report with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or their substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Sections 13(d) and 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5, Schedule 13D, Schedule 13G, or other form or report with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney

to be executed as of this 26th day of August 2008.

/s/ William A. Sandridge