Washington, D.C. 20549

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

FIDELITY SOUTHERN CORP

SMITH RANKIN M JR

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Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

- Common Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Check all applicable) [LION] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 3490 PIEDMONT ROAD, SUITE 09/07/2012 1550 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ATLANTA, GA 30305 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 7. Nature 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership of Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Ownership (Instr. 8) Direct (D) Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code V Amount **Fidelity** Southern $A^{(1)}$ 66.8775 A Corporation 09/07/2012 229,753.351 - Common Stock **Fidelity** Southern By Corporation 308 I **Spouse**

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.15					01/19/2013(2)	01/19/2017	Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock	10,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.6					07/22/2009(3)	07/22/2013	Fidelity Southern Corporation - Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SMITH RANKIN M JR 3490 PIEDMONT ROAD SUITE 1550 ATLANTA, GA 30305	X					

Signatures

Barbara McNeill, Attorney in Fact for Rankin M. Smith, Jr. 09/10/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Shares awarded for service as a Director during the previous month.
- (2) Exercisable: 1/3 on 1/19/13; 1/3 on 1/19/14; 1/3 on 1/19/15
- (3) Exercisable: 1/3 on 7/22/09; 1/3 on 7/22/10; 1/3 on 7/22/11

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