

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

September 23, 2021

Joseph R. Dively Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer First Mid Bancshares, Inc. 1421 Charleston Avenue Mattoon, Illinois 61938

> Re: First Mid Bancshares, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-4 Filed September 17, 2021 File No. 333-259634

Dear Mr. Dively:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Jessica Livingston at 202-551-3448 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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