

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

Mail Stop 4561

January 15, 2009

Joseph W. Turner President, Chief Executive Officer and Director 1451 E. Battlefield Springfield, Missouri 65804 By U.S. Mail and facsimile to (417) 895-4533

Re: Great Southern Bancorp, Inc. Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2007 Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2008 Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2008 Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2008 File No. 000-18082

Dear Mr. Turner:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

John P. Nolan Senior Assistant Chief Accountant