

FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CONNELL HOPE HOLDING

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/ [FCNCA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
PO BOX 29550
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/12/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

RALEIGH, NC 27602
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock					28,957	D	
Class A Common Stock					3,571	I ⁽¹⁾	By spouse as custodian for children
Class A Common Stock					5,320	I	By trust
					1,100	I ⁽¹⁾	By spouse

Class A Common Stock									
Class A Common Stock						18,145	I ⁽²⁾		By Yadkin Valley Company
Class A Common Stock						700	I ⁽²⁾		by Yadkin Valley Life Insurance Company
Class B Common Stock	12/12/2006		G	300	D	\$ 0	90,659	D	
Class B Common Stock							1,225	I	By Trust
Class B Common Stock	12/12/2006		G	300	A	\$ 0	17,193	I ⁽¹⁾	By spouse as custodian for children
Class B Common Stock							1,725	I ⁽²⁾	By Yadkin Valley Company
Class B Common Stock							175	I ⁽²⁾	By Yadkin Valley Life Insurance Company

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Benef Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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				Amount or Number of Shares
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Code	V	(A)	(D)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CONNELL HOPE HOLDING PO BOX 29550 RALEIGH, NC 27602			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Hope Holding Connell, By William R. Lathan, Jr., Attorney-in-fact	12/14/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose.
 - (2) The reporting person is a director, officer and/or principal shareholder of the companies that own these shares, but she disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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