

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 *
HOLDING FRANK B

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)
POST OFFICE BOX 1377
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Executive Vice Chairman

SMITHFIELD, NC 27577
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock					1,632,783	D	
Class A Common Stock					240,836 ⁽¹⁾	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class A Common Stock					26,430 ⁽¹⁾	I	By trust for adult children
	03/17/2006		P	55 A	8,176 ⁽²⁾	I	

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Class A Common Stock					\$ 181.5				By Twin States Farming
Class A Common Stock						167,600 ⁽²⁾	I		By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class A Common Stock						28,628 ⁽²⁾	I		By The Heritage Bank
Class A Common Stock						100,000 ⁽²⁾	I		By Fidelity BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class A Common Stock						36,659 ⁽²⁾	I		By Southern BancShares, Inc.
Class A Common Stock						46,000 ⁽²⁾	I		By Southern Bank and Trust Company
Class A Common Stock						54,000 ⁽²⁾	I		By Goshen, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	03/15/2006	P	300	A	\$ 179	548,128 ⁽¹⁾	I		By adult children and their spouses and children
Class B Common Stock						45,900 ⁽²⁾	I		By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class B Common Stock						22,619 ⁽²⁾	I		By Southern BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class B Common Stock						6,175 ⁽¹⁾	I		By trust for adult children
Class B Common Stock						1,225 ⁽²⁾	I		By Twin States Farming, Inc.
Class B Common Stock						10,700 ⁽¹⁾	I		By spouse
Class A Common Stock						135,840 ⁽¹⁾	I		By Spouse

