

HOLDING FRANK B  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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)  
02/03/2012

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)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock	02/03/2012		G	V	333,865 (3)	A	\$ 0 635,990	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/03/2012		G	V	366,856	D	\$ 0 0	I	By: F. Holding 2010 GRAT
Class A Common Stock							538,703 (1)	I	By spouse
Class A Common							144,226 (1)	I	By Ella Ann 2010 GRAT

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Stock									
Class A Common Stock	02/03/2012	G	V	<u>32,991</u> (3)	A	\$ 0	703,018 <u>(1)</u>	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class A Common Stock							26,430 <u>(1)</u>	I	By trust for adult children
Class A Common Stock							8,214 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.
Class A Common Stock							167,600 <u>(2)</u>	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class A Common Stock							28,628 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Heritage BancShares, Inc. and subsidiary
Class A Common Stock							100,000 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Fidelity BancShares, Inc.
Class A Common Stock							46,699 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Southern BancShares(N.C.), Inc.
Class A Common Stock							46,000 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Southern Bank and Trust Company
Class A Common Stock							54,000 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Goshen, Inc.
Class A Common Stock							627 <u>(2)</u>	I	By E&F Properties, Inc.
Class B Common Stock							1,007	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/03/2012	G	V	4,374	D	\$ 0	0	I	By F. Holding 2010 GRAT
Class B Common Stock							2,739	I	By spouse
Class B Common Stock							700 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Ella Ann 2010 GRAT

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Class B Common Stock	02/03/2012	G V	4,374 <sup>(3)</sup>	A	\$ 0	627,400 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class B Common Stock						6,175 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By trust for adult children
Class B Common Stock						45,900 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class B Common Stock						22,619 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Southern BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class B Common Stock						1,355 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.
Class B Common Stock						200 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By E&F Properties, Inc.

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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners

