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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ISSUER

FIRST CITIZENS BANCORPORATION INC

CIK: **708848** | IRS No.: **570738665** | State of Incorporation: **SC** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **6022** State commercial banks

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REPORTING OWNER

HOLDING LEWIS R

CIK: **1014532** | State of Incorporation: **NC** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
Type: **4** | Act: **34** | File No.: **000-11172** | Film No.: **06512715**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person HOLDING LEWIS R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST CITIZENS BANCORPORATION INC [FCBN]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2006			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
POST OFFICE BOX 29549			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) RALEIGH, NC 27626								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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			
Common Stock								98,003	D	
Common Stock								8,845 ⁽¹⁾	I	By spouse
Common Stock								35,000 ⁽²⁾	I	By Yadkin Valley Company
Common Stock								36,042 ⁽²⁾	I	By First Citizens BancShares, Inc.
Common Stock	01/05/2006		P		8,000	A	\$700	19,465 ⁽²⁾	I	By Southern BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Non-Voting Common Stock								5,631 ⁽²⁾	I	By Yadkin Valley Company
Series B Preferred Stock								554	D	
Series G Preferred Stock								129	D	

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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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			Day/ Year)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)
				Code	V						

Explanation of Responses:

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 he disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

Signatures

Lewis R. Holding, By: E. Knox Proctor V, Attorney-in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/05/2006

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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