FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HOLDING LEWIS R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

POST OFFICE BOX 29549

(Street)

RALEIGH, NC 27626

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/17/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director
__X__ 10% Owner
_____ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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								48,963 (1)	I	By spouse
Class A Common Stock								25,129 (1)	I	By Adult Child
Class A Common Stock								18,145 (2)	I	By Yadkin Valley Company
Class A Common								700 (2)	I	By Yadkin Valley Life

Stock			Insurance Company
Class A Common Stock	167,600 (2)	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class A Common Stock	100,000 (2)	I	By Fidelity BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class A Common Stock	46,699 (2)	I	By Southern BancShares (N.C.), 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	12,025 (1)	I	By spouse
Class B Common Stock	175 (2)	I	By Yadkin Valley Life Insurance Company
Class B Common Stock	45,900 (2)	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	22,619 (2)	I	By Southren BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class B Common Stock	726 (1)	I	By Adult Child
Class B Common Stock	1,725 (2)	I	By Yadkin Valley CompanyClass
Class B Common Stock	217 (1)	I	By Trust for Sheppard K. Ames IV
Class B Common Stock	106 (1)	I	By Trust for Carolyn R. Ames
Class A Common	284 (1)	I	By Trust for Carolyn R.

Stock								Ames
Class B Common Stock						31,469	D	
Class A Common Stock						173 (1)	I	By Trust for Shepard K. Ames
Class A Common Stock	04/17/2009	S	3,218	D	$ 134.3991	574,520	D	

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 Bene Owne 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
HOLDING LEWIS R POST OFFICE BOX 29549 RALEIGH, NC 27626		X		

Signatures

Lewis R. Holding, By: William R. Lathan, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact	04/21/2009
**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 he disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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