

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**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 AMES CARMEN 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)  
 2220 WHITE OAK ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/11/2008

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

RALEIGH, NC 27608  
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Class A Common Stock						25,129	D
Class A Common Stock						122,800 <sup>(1)</sup>	I Held by family trusts <sup>(2)</sup>
Class B Common Stock						581	D
Class B Common	02/11/2008		P	354	A	\$ 62,083 <sup>(1)</sup> 189	I Held by family

Stock									trusts <sup>(2)</sup>
Class B Common Stock				111		I			By trust for child

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Date (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
AMES CARMEN HOLDING 2220 WHITE OAK ROAD RALEIGH, NC 27608		X		

## Signatures

Carmen Holding Ames, By: William R. Lathan, Jr.,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/19/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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) Excludes additional shares of Issuer's stock held by another trust of which the reporting person is sole beneficiary with no investment or voting control.

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- (2) The reporting person is the sole beneficiary of the trust, but she has limited investment control, subject to discretion of the trustees, and she disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the trust except to the extent of her pecuniary interest therein.

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