HOLDING FRANK B
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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 *
HOLDING FRANK B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

POST OFFICE BOX 1377

(Street)

SMITHFIELD, NC 27577

(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)
12/23/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Executive Vice Chairman

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								301,774	D	
Class A Common Stock								366,841	I	By: F. Holding 2010 GRAT
Class A Common Stock	12/23/2011		G	V	240	D	$ 0	538,703 (1)	I	By spouse
Class A Common Stock								144,226 (1)	I	By Ella Ann 2010 GRAT

Class A Common Stock	12/23/2011		G	V	160	A	$ 0	670,027 (1)	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class A Common Stock								26,430 (1)	I	By trust for adult children
Class A Common Stock								8,214 (2)	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.
Class A Common Stock								167,600 (2)	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation, Inc.
Class A Common Stock								28,628 (2)	I	By Heritage BancShares, Inc. and subsidiary
Class A Common Stock								100,000 (2)	I	By Fidelity BancShares, 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 A Common Stock								627 (2)	I	By E&F Properties, Inc.
Class B Common Stock								757	D	
Class B Common Stock								4,389	I	By F. Holding 2010 GRAT
Class B Common Stock	12/27/2011		P		100	A	$ 181	2,439	I	By spouse
Class B Common Stock								700 (1)	I	By Ella Ann 2010 GRAT
Class B Common Stock								622,776 (1)	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class B Common Stock								6,175 (1)	I	By trust for adult 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	1,355 (2)	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	200 (2)	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)
				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 FRANK B POST OFFICE BOX 1377 SMITHFIELD, NC 27577	X	X	Executive Vice Chairman	

Signatures

Frank B. Holding, By:William R. Lathan, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact 12/29/2011

**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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