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Form 5 obligati may co <i>See</i> Inst 1(b).	ions Section 17	(a) of the l	Public I		olding Co	ompa	iny Act o	ge Act of 1934 f 1935 or Sect 40			
(Print or Type	e Responses)										
	Address of Reporting G FRANK B	g Person <u>*</u>	Symbol				-	5. Relationship Issuer	of Reporting	Person(s) to	
			FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/ [FCNCA]					(Check all applicable)			
(Month				e of Earliest Transaction n/Day/Year) /2004				_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
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CMITHEI	(Street)			nendment, l onth/Day/Ye	-	nal		6. Individual or Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed b Form filed by		ng Person	
	ELD, NC 27577							Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	ve Sec	urities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benef	icially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Class A Common Stock								1,632,823	D		
Class A Common Stock	12/28/2004			G	150	D	\$0	241,005 <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	
								8,110 <u>(2)</u>	Ι		

Class A Common Stock			By Twin States Farming
Class A Common Stock	167,600 <u>(2)</u>	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation of South Carolina, Inc.
Class A Common Stock	28,628 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By The Heritage Bank
Class A Common Stock	100,000 (2)	Ι	By Fidelity BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class A Common Stock	27,584 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By Southern BancShares, Inc.
Class A Common Stock	46,000 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By Southern Bank and Trust Company
Class A Common Stock	54,000 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By Goshen, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	5,463 <u>(1)</u>	Ι	By Spouse
Class B Common Stock	547,203 <u>(1)</u>	Ι	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class B Common Stock	45,900 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By First Citizens Bancorporation of South Carolina, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	22,219 <u>(2)</u>	Ι	By Southern BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class B Common Stock	6,175 <u>(1)</u>	Ι	By trust for adult children
Class B Common Stock	1,225 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.

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Class A					¢			
Common	12/30/2004	Р	200	А	ې 140.75	126,388 <u>(1)</u>	Ι	By Spouse
Stock					149.73			

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)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/ e	5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		le and unt of rlying rities . 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 FRANK B POST OFFICE BOX 1377 SMITHFIELD, NC 27577	Х	Х	Executive Vice Chairman				
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Signatures

Frank B. Holding, By: E. Knox. Proctor V, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).

The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the(1) 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.

01/03/2005

Date

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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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