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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FIRST TRUST/GALLATIN SPECIALTY FINANCE & **BROWN KATHLEEN** (Month/Day/Year) FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FUND [FGB] 02/04/2008 WIELAND (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS (Check all applicable) L.P., Â 1001 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 300 Director 10% Owner X_ Other (Street) Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Officer-Investment Adviser _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person LISLE, ILÂ 60532 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5) Â Common Shares 0 D

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 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible\ securities)$

1. Title of Derivative Security
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities Underlying Derivative Security
3. Title and Amount of Exercise Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5)

		(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BROWN KATHLEEN WIELAND

C/O FIRST TRUST ADVISORS L.P.
1001 WARRENVILLE ROAD, SUITE 300
LISLE, ILÂ 60532
 Â Â Officer-Investment Adviser

Signatures

/s/ Kathleen Wieland
Brown

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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