

RIVERA RANDOLFO
Form 4
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

**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**

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<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <i>(Last, First, Middle)</i></p> <p>RIVERA , RANDOLFO</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>FIRST BANCORP (FBP)</p>	<p>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity <i>(Voluntary)</i></p>
<p>URB TIERRA ALTA II P-12 CALLE LAS PALOMAS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Street)</i></p> <p>GUAYNABO, PR 00969</p> <p><i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i></p>	<p>4. Statement for <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i></p> <p>APRIL 16, 2003</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date of Original <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i></p>
<p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer <i>(Check All Applicable)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT</p>	<p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing <i>(Check Applicable Line)</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* instruction 4(b)(v).

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	2a. Deemed Execution Date, if any. <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
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			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
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FIRST BANCORP'S COMMON STOCK	04-16-03		P		20,000	A	\$14.8750	20,000	D	N/A
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EXERCISE OF OPTION UNDER EMPLOYEE										
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STOCK OPTION PLANS										
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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 <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3a. Deemed Execution Date, if any <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	4. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>
				Code	V (A) (D)
EXERCISE OPTION TO	\$14.8750	04-16-03		x	20,000

