

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 \*  
**BELL VICTOR E III**

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**09/13/2005**

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

**PO BOX 17274**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**RALEIGH, NC 27619-7274**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)
Class A Common Stock				(A) or (D)	727	D	
Class A Common Stock				(A) or (D)	673 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Marjan Ltd. Restated Profit Sharing Plan
Class A Common Stock	10/17/2005		W V	803 D	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Victor E. Bell, Jr. Trust
					2,037 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	

Class A Common Stock										Victor E. Bell Trust II
Class A Common Stock	09/13/2005		W	V	6,013	D	\$ 0	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	V. Bell, Jr./J. Bell Charitable Remainder Unitrust
Class A Common Stock								4,009 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Jane McNair Bell Family Trust
Class A Common Stock								884 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Trust for children of V. Bell III and M. Bell
Class B Common Stock	10/17/2005		W	V	2,462	D	\$ 0	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Victor E. Bell, Jr. Trust
Class B Common Stock	09/13/2005		W	V	2,463	D	\$ 0	0 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	V. Bell, Jr./J. Bell Charitable Remainder Unitrust
Class A Common Stock	10/17/2005		W	V	803	A	\$ 0	803 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	VEB, Jr. Family Trust

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own 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
BELL VICTOR E III PO BOX 17274 RALEIGH, NC 27619-7274		X		

## Signatures

Victor E. Bell III, By: William R. Lathan, Jr.,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/27/2005

\_\_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).

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.

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