

FIRST AMERICAN CORP  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**CHATHAM J DAVID**  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRST AMERICAN CORP [FAF]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

**1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY**  
 (Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/31/2007**

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

**SANTA ANA, CA 92707**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
 (check applicable line)

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**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/07/2007	Â	G	6,750 D \$ 0	2,156.767	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â
Common Stock	09/07/2007	Â	G	6,750 A \$ 0	26,543.075 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	10/18/2007	Â	G	100 D \$ 0	2,062.78	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â
Common Stock	10/18/2007	Â	G	100 A \$ 0	26,774.045 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By Spouse

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.25	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	Date Exercisable: 08/31/1999 <sup>(3)</sup> Expiration Date: 06/23/2009	Common Stock 6
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.54	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	Date Exercisable: Â <sup>(4)</sup> Expiration Date: 04/23/2008	Common Stock 6
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 47.49	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	Date Exercisable: 12/08/2006 <sup>(5)</sup> Expiration Date: 12/08/2015	Common Stock 5

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHATHAM J DAVID 1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY SANTA ANA, CA 92707	Â X	Â	Â	Â

## Signatures

Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In Fact for James D. Chatham

02/13/2008

\*\*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) Includes 1,061 shares (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units vesting in three equal annual increments commencing 3/5/08, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (2) Amount shown consists of shares acquired through automatic reinvestment of dividends paid as reported in most recent statement of account.
- (3) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 8/31/99, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (4) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 4/23/99, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (5) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/8/06, the first anniversary of the grant.

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