

CHATHAM J DAVID
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CHATHAM J DAVID

(Last) (First) (Middle)

5780 WINDWARD PARKWAY,
 SUITE 300

(Street)

ALPHARETTA, GA 30005

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)

12/08/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 1,100.431 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) | 19,532.098 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By Spouse |

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 (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) | \$ 47.49 | 12/08/2005 | | A | 5,000 | 12/08/2006 ⁽²⁾ 12/08/2015 | Common Stock 5 |
| Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 23.583 | | | | | 04/23/1999 04/23/2008 | Common Stock 6 |
| Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.25 | | | | | 08/31/1999 06/23/2009 | Common Stock 6 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CHATHAM J DAVID 5780 WINDWARD PARKWAY, SUITE 300 ALPHARETTA, GA 30005 | X | | | |

Signatures

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In Fact for 12/09/2005

**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).
- (1) Amount shown consists of shares acquired through automatic reinvestment of dividends paid as reported in most recent statement of account.
- (2) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/8/06, the first anniversary of the grant.

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