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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CREDLE ERIC P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
			FIRST BANCORP /NC/ [FBNC]									
(Last) (First) (Middle) 3		3. Date of Earliest Transaction										
2268 SEVEN LAKES SOUTH		(Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2004					Director 10% Owner Number Other (specify below) below) CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Mont	Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WEST END, NC 27376								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Non	-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Aco	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
(Instr. 3) any		emed on Date, if	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial				
		•	/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	11/19/2004			G	V	159	D	\$0	3,161	D		
Common									891	I	401K	

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	Securities	8 1 5 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18.5					10/22/1997	10/22/2007	Common Stock	3,900	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.99					07/25/2002	07/25/2011	Common Stock	10,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 32.55					04/01/2004	04/01/2014	Common Stock	2,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
reporting o water runner running	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CREDLE ERIC P			CHIEF					
2268 SEVEN LAKES SOUTH			FINANCIAL					
WEST END, NC 27376			OFFICER					

Signatures

Timothy S.
Maples

**Signature of Reporting Person

Timothy S.

11/22/2004

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). Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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