

CONNELL HOPE HOLDING  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
CONNELL HOPE HOLDING

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)  
PO BOX 29550  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/09/2011

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

RALEIGH, NC 27602  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 95,151                                                                                        | D                                                        |                                                       |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 19,429                                                                                        | I                                                        | By 2010 GRAT                                          |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 5,320                                                                                         | I                                                        | By Maggie B. Holding Trust                            |
| Class A Common                  |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   | 1,280                                                                                         | I <sup>(3)</sup>                                         | As Trustee for John H.                                |

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|----------------------------|------------|--|---|---|----|--------|------|--------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Stock                      |            |  |   |   |    |        |      |              | Connell<br>Irreovcable<br>Trust                                 |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 407    |      | I <u>(3)</u> | As Trustee<br>for Michael<br>Collier<br>Connell<br>Trust        |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 891    |      | I <u>(1)</u> | As<br>Custodian<br>for Elliot                                   |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 330    |      | I <u>(1)</u> | As custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick                             |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 1,390  |      | I <u>(1)</u> | John Connell<br>as Custodian<br>for Hewlette                    |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 1,290  |      | I <u>(1)</u> | John Connell<br>as Custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick             |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 18,145 |      | I <u>(2)</u> | By Yadkin<br>Valley<br>Company                                  |                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 700    |      | I <u>(2)</u> | By Yadkin<br>Valley Life<br>Insurance<br>Company                |                              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 99,635 |      | D            |                                                                 |                              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 1,225  |      | I            | By Maggie<br>B. Holding<br>Trust                                |                              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |   |    | 309    |      | I <u>(3)</u> | As Trustee<br>for the<br>Michael<br>Collier<br>Connell<br>Trust |                              |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/09/2011 |  | G | V | 65 | A      | \$ 0 | 7,682        | I <u>(1)</u>                                                    | As custodian<br>for Hewlette |
| Class B<br>Common          | 12/09/2011 |  | G | V | 65 | A      | \$ 0 | 6,432        | I <u>(1)</u>                                                    | As custodian<br>for John     |

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|----------------------------|------------|--|---|----|---|------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| Stock                      |            |  |   |    |   |      |                      |                  | Patrick                                             |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 12/09/2011 |  | G | 65 | A | \$ 0 | 6,631 <sup>(4)</sup> | I <sup>(1)</sup> | As custodian<br>for Elliot                          |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |    |   |      | 323                  | I <sup>(1)</sup> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for Hewlette        |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |    |   |      | 323                  | I <sup>(1)</sup> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |    |   |      | 100                  | I <sup>(1)</sup> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for Elliot          |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |    |   |      | 1,725                | I <sup>(2)</sup> | By Yadkin<br>Valley<br>Company                      |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock |            |  |   |    |   |      | 175                  | I <sup>(2)</sup> | By Yadkin<br>Valley Life<br>Insurance<br>Company    |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | Date<br>Exercisable                                            | Expiration<br>Date                                                        | Title                                               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                     |
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             |                                      |                                                                                                                    | Code                                                           | V (A) (D)                                                                 |                                                     |                                                                            |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                            | Relationships |           |               |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
|                                                           | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer       | Other |
| CONNELL HOPE HOLDING<br>PO BOX 29550<br>RALEIGH, NC 27602 | X             |           | Vice Chairman |       |

## Signatures

Hope Holding Connell, By: William R. Lathan, Jr.,  
Attorney-in-fact

12/23/2011

\_\_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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the 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.
  - (2) The reporting person is a director, officer and/or principal shareholder of the companies that own these shares, but she disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of her pecuniary interest therein.
  - (3) The reporting person serves as trustee of the trust for the benefit of individuals who are not members of her immediate family, and her children have a remainder interest in the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities held by the trust.
- (4) Due to a typographical error, the Reporting Person's report filed on August 15, 2011, listed the amount of securities beneficially owned following the reported transaction as 6,166 shares of Class B Common Stock. The correct number of shares should have been 6,116 shares of Class B Common Stock. The number shown in this report reflects a correction of that error.

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