#### FIRST AMERICAN CORP

Form 4

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### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

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may continue.

See Instruction

OBRYAN FRANK EUGENE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					Issuer			
			FIRST AMERICAN CORP [FAF]				AFJ	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of	Earliest Tra	ansaction						
			(Month/D	•				_X_ Director		Owner	
1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY			01/23/2008					Officer (give below)	titleOther (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Mon	th/Day/Year)	1			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0	One Reporting Pe	rson	
SANTA AN	NA, CA 92707							Form filed by N Person	More than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative :	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Dat	te 2A. Deer	ned	3.	4. Securit			5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year	) Execution	n Date, if	Transactio		_		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	N 157	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/L	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Reported	(111811.4)	(111811.4)	
						(A)		Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	01/23/2008			M	6,750	A	\$ 29.54	31,519	D (1)		

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)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number one f 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.54	01/23/2008		M	6,750	04/23/1999	04/23/2008	Common Stock	6,75

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OBRYAN FRANK EUGENE 1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY SANTA ANA, CA 92707	X						

### **Signatures**

Grace K. Lee, Attorney In Fact for Frank E.
O'Bryan

\*\*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 1,049 shares 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.

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