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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/ [FCNCA] Harris Barry P IV (Month/Day/Year) 01/30/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 4300 SIX FORKS ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person RALEIGH, ÂNCÂ 27609 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Class A Common Stock D Â 10 Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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(Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Securities Underlying Derivative Security		Conversion or Exercise	Ownership Form of	(Instr. 5)
			(Instr. 4)		Price of	Derivative	
		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Shares

(I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Harris Barry P IV

4300 SIX FORKS ROAD RALEIGH, NCÂ 27609 Â Êxecutive Vice President Â

Signatures

Barry P. Harris IV, By: William R. Lathan, Jr., Attorney-in-fact

02/09/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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