#### FIRST AMERICAN CORP

Form 4

August 24, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** DOTI JAMES LOUIS		g Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)] (Check all applicable				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
1 UNIVERSIT	Y DRIVE		08/22/2005	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
ORANGE, CA	928661005			_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zin)					

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acq Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/22/2005		M	6,750	A	\$ 23.583	20,777	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005		M	6,750	A	\$ 17.25	27,527	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005		S	2,100	D	\$ 41.32	25,427	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005		S	800	D	\$ 41.29	24,627	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005		S	1,400	D	\$ 41.3	23,227	D	
	08/22/2005		S	900	D	\$ 41.26	22,327	D	

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	08/22/2005	S	1,700	D	\$ 41.25	20,627	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005	S	800	D	\$ 41.28	19,827	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 41.31	17,927	D	
Common Stock	08/22/2005	S	400	D	\$ 41.27	17,527	D	
Common Stock						900	I	By Trustee (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)

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. Number on 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 Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.583	08/22/2005		M	6,750	04/23/1999	04/23/2008	Common Stock	6,75
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right	\$ 17.25	08/22/2005		M	6,750	08/31/1999	06/23/2009	Common Stock	6,75

# **Reporting Owners**

to buy)

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DOTI JAMES LOUIS 1 UNIVERSITY DRIVE ORANGE, CA 928661005

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## **Signatures**

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In Fact for

08/24/2005

\*\*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) These shares are held in a revocable family trust for the benefit of my wife and I, and for which we are co-trustees having investment control. I have the right to revoke the trust with respect to these shares without the consent of another person.

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