

FIRST BANCORP /NC/

Form 4

May 18, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WILLIS JOHN C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
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3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/17/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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)
Common Stock	05/17/2006		M	2,250 A \$ 6.5553	194,782	D	
Common Stock					276,592	I	SPOUSE

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8.
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 10.222					06/01/1997	06/01/2007	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 10.5					06/01/2000	06/01/2010	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 11.1113					06/01/1999	06/01/2009	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.6667					06/01/1998	06/01/2008	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.3667					06/01/2002	06/01/2012	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 16					06/01/2001	06/01/2011	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.3					06/01/2003	06/01/2013	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.6867					06/01/2004	06/01/2014	Common Stock	2,250	
Stock Options	\$ 22.12					06/28/2005	06/28/2015	Common Stock	2,250	

(Right to
buy)

Stock

Options
(Right to
buy)

\$ 6.5553

05/17/2006

M

2,250

06/01/1996

06/01/2006

Common
Stock

2,250

\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIS JOHN C				X

Signatures

Timothy S.
Maples

05/18/2006

**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).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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