#### MESSINGER ELLEN L

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MESSINGER ELLEN L	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST CHARTER CORP /NC/ [FCTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)  10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
(Street) CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	Perivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or Amount (D) Price	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					5,139	D	
Common Stock					693.6132	I	Son - Alexander
Common Stock					654.793	I	Son - Maxwell
Common Stock					395.5874	I	Spouse - Timothy

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Second Control Second (A)  Disp (D)	urities juired or posed tr. 3,	of	Expiration D	Date Exercisable and spiration Date fonth/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A	<b>A</b> )	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.5							<u>(1)</u>	01/20/2010	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.75							(2)	01/17/2011	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.37							(3)	01/16/2012	Common Stock	2,500	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.708							<u>(4)</u>	02/20/2007	Common Stock	600	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18							<u>(4)</u>	10/14/2009	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18.81							<u>(5)</u>	01/22/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 18.854							<u>(4)</u>	05/19/2007	Common Stock	1,200	

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Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.02				<u>(6)</u>	01/21/2014	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.75				<u>(4)</u>	04/29/2008	Common Stock	1,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.66	01/19/2005	A	2,500	<u>(6)</u>	01/19/2015	Common Stock	2,500	\$

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Kelationsi	прѕ	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MESSINGER ELLEN L				
10200 DAVID TAVI OD DDIVE	$\mathbf{v}$			

10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373

## **Signatures**

Jan H. Hollar 01/21/2005

\*\*Signature of 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).

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- (6) Options are exercisable in 5 yearly installments beginning one year after grant date.
- (3) 1,500 options currently exercisable. The remaining 1,000 options are exercisable in equal installments on 01/16/2005 and 01/16/2006
- (1) 1,440 options are currently exercisable. Remaining 360 options exercisable on 01/20/2005
- (4) All Options are currently exercisable
- (2) 1,080 options are currently exercisable. Remaining 720 options exercisable in equal installments on 01/17/2005 and 01/17/2006
- (5) 1,666 options are currently exercisable. The remaining 3,334 options are exercisable in equal installments on 01/22/2005 and 01/22/2006 Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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