FIRST BANCORP /NC/

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *LONG JOHN S			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BANCORP /NC/ [FBNC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/11/2008					Director 10% Owner Solution Other (specify below) Delow)  EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT			
	(Street)		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) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemee Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	11/11/2008			M	17,584	A	\$ 15.22	60,972	D		
Common Stock	11/11/2008			M	14,876	D	\$ 17.99	46,096	D		
Common Stock								182.4997	I	401k Plan	
Common Stock								3,049	I	NON-QUALIFED PLAN	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.8					04/01/2009	04/01/2018	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.22	11/11/2008		M	17,584	01/07/1999	01/07/2009	Common Stock	17,584

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LONG JOHN S

**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT** 

## **Signatures**

Timothy S. Maples, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).

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