

FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BRYANT HOPE HOLDING**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/ [FCNCA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**4300 SIX FORKS ROAD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**12/18/2014**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Vice Chairman

**RALEIGH, NC 27609**

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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) |       |                           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount                                                                                        | (A) or (D)                                               | Price                                                 |       |                           |
| Class A Common Stock            | 12/18/2014                           |                                                    | G                              |                                                                   | 33,100                                                                                        | A                                                        | \$ 0 272,492                                          | D     |                           |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       | I     | As beneficiary of Trust   |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       | I (1) | As custodian for Hewlette |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                   |                                                                                               |                                                          |                                                       | I (1) | As custodian for John     |

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| Stock                      |         |              |  | Patrick                                                        |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 16,800  | I <u>(1)</u> |  | As custodian<br>for Elliot                                     |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 80      | I <u>(1)</u> |  | By Hewlette<br>Collier<br>Connell                              |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 80      | I <u>(1)</u> |  | By John<br>Patrick<br>Connell                                  |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 80      | I            |  | By Samuel<br>Hunter<br>Bryant                                  |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,990   | I <u>(1)</u> |  | John Connell<br>as Custodian<br>for Hewlette                   |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 4,850   | I <u>(1)</u> |  | John Connell<br>as Custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick            |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 3,604   | I <u>(1)</u> |  | By John<br>Connell as<br>custodian for<br>Elliot<br>Connell    |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 174,469 | I <u>(2)</u> |  | By Yadkin<br>Valley<br>Company<br>and<br>subsidiary            |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 827     | I <u>(2)</u> |  | By E&F<br>Properties                                           |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 12,530  | I <u>(2)</u> |  | By Twin<br>States<br>Farming,<br>Inc.                          |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 241,963 | I <u>(2)</u> |  | By Southern<br>BancShares<br>(N.C.), Inc.<br>and<br>subsidiary |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 100,000 | I <u>(2)</u> |  | By Fidelity<br>BancShares<br>(N.C.), Inc.                      |

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| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 100,828 | D            |                                                     |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,225   | I            | As<br>beneficiary<br>of Trust                       |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,751   | <u>I (1)</u> | As custodian<br>for Hewlette                        |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 6,250   | <u>I (1)</u> | By Hewlette<br>Collier<br>Connell                   |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,751   | <u>I (1)</u> | As custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick                 |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 5,000   | <u>I (1)</u> | By John<br>Patrick<br>Connell                       |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 6,950   | <u>I (1)</u> | As custodian<br>for Elliot                          |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 323     | <u>I (1)</u> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for Hewlette        |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 323     | <u>I (1)</u> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for John<br>Patrick |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 100     | <u>I (1)</u> | John Connell<br>as custodian<br>for Elliot          |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,900   | <u>I (2)</u> | By Yadkin<br>Valley<br>Company<br>and<br>subsidiary |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 200     | <u>I (2)</u> | By E&F<br>Properties,<br>Inc.                       |
| Class B<br>Common<br>Stock | 1,355   | <u>I (2)</u> | By Twin<br>States<br>Farming,<br>Inc.               |
|                            | 22,619  | <u>I (2)</u> |                                                     |

Class B  
Common  
Stock

By Southern  
BancShares  
(N.C.), Inc.  
and  
subsidiary

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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships |           |               |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|
|                                                                 | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer       | Other |
| BRYANT HOPE HOLDING<br>4300 SIX FORKS ROAD<br>RALEIGH, NC 27609 | X             | X         | Vice Chairman |       |

## Signatures

Hope Holding Bryant, By: William R. Lathan, Jr.,  
Attorney-in-Fact

12/24/2014

\_\_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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any

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other purpose.

- (2) The reporting person is a director, officer and/or shareholder of the companies that own these shares, but she disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of her pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or for any other purpose.

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