FIRST CITIZENS BANCSHARES INC /DE/

Form 4

Stock

December 16, 2004

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	UNITED	STATES SI	ECURITIES AND EXCHANGE Washington, D.C. 20549	GE COMMISSION	OMB Number	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type	e Responses)								
	Address of Reporting FRANK B	Sy	. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading mbol	Issuer	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			RST CITIZENS BANCSHAR IC /DE/ [FCNCA]	ES (Chec	ck all applic	able)			
(Last)	, ,		Date of Earliest Transaction Ionth/Day/Year)	X Director X Officer (give below)		10% Owner Other (specify			
POST OF	FICE BOX 1377	12	2/15/2004	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Executive Vice Chairman				
CMITHEN	(Street)		If Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 Form filed by M	One Reportin	g Person			
	ELD, NC 27577			Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securitie			· ·			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ear) (Instr. 8) (A) or	D) Securities C Beneficially F Owned D Following o Reported (1)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Class A Common Stock				1,632,823 Г)				
Class A Common Stock				241,155 <u>(1)</u> I		By adult children and their spouses and children			
Class A Common Stock				26,430 <u>(1)</u> I		By trust for adult children			

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Class A Common Stock								By Twin States Farming
Class A Common Stock						167,600 (2)	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation of South Carolina, Inc.
Class A Common Stock						28,628 (2)	I	By The Heritage Bank
Class A Common Stock						100,000 (2)	I	By Fidelity BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class A Common Stock						27,584 (2)	I	By Southern BancShares, Inc.
Class A Common Stock						46,000 (2)	I	By Southern Bank and Trust Company
Class A Common Stock						54,000 (2)	I	By Goshen, Inc.
Class B Common Stock	12/15/2004	P	1,000	A	\$ 147.75	5,463 <u>(1)</u>	I	By Spouse
Class B Common Stock						547,203 (1)	I	By adult children and their spouses and children
Class B Common Stock						45,900 (2)	I	By First Citizens Bancorporation of South Carolina, Inc.
Class B Common Stock						22,219 (2)	I	By Southern BancShares (N.C.), Inc.
Class B Common Stock						6,175 <u>(1)</u>	I	By trust for adult children
Class B Common Stock						1,225 (2)	I	By Twin States Farming, Inc.

Class A

Common 12/16/2004 P 50 A \$ 146 126,188 (1) I By Spouse

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	ction 8)	5. rNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Keiationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOLDING FRANK B				
POST OFFICE BOX 1377	X	X	Executive Vice Chairman	

Signatures

SMITHFIELD, NC 27577

Frank B. Holding, By: William R. Lathan, Jr., 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).
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the (1) 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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The reporting person is a director, officer and/or principal shareholder of the companies that own these shares, but he disclaims beneficial ownership of the listed shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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