FIRST BANCORP /NC/

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TAWS EDWARD T JR			2. Issuer Name and 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					(Check an applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2006			X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
	(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) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own						lly Owned					
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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	11/15/2006			S	696	D	\$ 22.47	3,004	D		
Common Stock	11/15/2006			S	200	D	\$ 22.5	2,804	D		
Common Stock	11/15/2006			S	4	D	\$ 22.51	2,800	D		
Common Stock								8,676.5	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber 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)	
				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	1,650
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	\$ 17.3					06/01/2003	06/01/2013	Common Stock	2,250

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buy)					
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 19.6867	06/01/2004	06/01/2014	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 21.83	06/01/2006	06/01/2016	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.12	06/28/2005	06/28/2015	Common Stock	2,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
TAWS EDWARD T JR						
	X					

Signatures

Timothy S.
Maples

**Signature of Reporting Person

Timothy S.

11/19/2006

Date

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- * 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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