

TASKER HERBERT BARBER
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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 *
 TASKER HERBERT BARBER

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2000 CROW CANYON PLACE,
 SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/08/2005

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

(Street)
 SAN RAMON, CA 94583

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/08/2005		M	6,750 A \$ 17.25	14,800.987	D	
Common Stock	09/08/2005		S	2,750 D \$ 42.57	12,050.987 (1)	D	

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.25	09/08/2005		M	6,750	08/31/1999 06/23/2009	Common Stock	6,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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2000 CROW CANYON PLACE, SUITE 400
SAN RAMON, CA 94583

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Signatures

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In
Fact for

09/08/2005

__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) Includes 141.987 shares acquired through reinvestment of dividends.

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