

EWART THOMAS C SR
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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 *
EWART THOMAS C SR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST RELIANCE BANCSHARES INC [FSRL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1208 MCINTOSH WOODS ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/19/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

FLORENCE, SC 29501

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 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 (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/19/2007 | | A | 200 | A | \$ 0 (1) 1,402 | 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)

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| 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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Option (right to buy) | \$ 8 | | | | | 06/30/2005 07/17/2013 | Common Stock 5,2 |
| Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 14.85 | | | | | 01/19/2012 01/19/2016 | Common Stock 5, |
| Stock Appreciation Rights | \$ 15 | 01/19/2007 | | A | 3,200 | 01/19/2007 01/19/2017 ⁽²⁾ | Common Stock 3, |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| EWART THOMAS C SR 1208 MCINTOSH WOODS ROAD FLORENCE, SC 29501 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

/s/ Ewart Thomas
C SR 01/29/2007

**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) Restricted Stock Grant on 1/19/2007 vest 100% on 1/19/2010
- (2) Stock Appreciation Rights 1/19/2007 Award vest 20% on 1/19/2013; 40% on 1/19/2014; 60% on 1/19/2015; 80% on 1/19/2016; 100% on 1/19/2017

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