

BB&T CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 31, 2005

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Form 8-K  
Current Report**

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Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

January 25, 2005

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)**

**BB&T Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Commission file number : 1-10853**

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North Carolina  
(State of incorporation)

56-0939887  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

200 West Second Street  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
(Address of principal executive offices)

27101  
(Zip Code)

**(336) 733-2000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**ITEM 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers**

On January 25, 2005, upon recommendation by the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, BB&T Corporation (the Company) Board of Directors elected John P. Howe, III, M.D. as a director of BB&T Corporation. The Board of Directors determined that Dr. Howe is an independent director, having had no transactions with BB&T that affect his ability to be independent. In addition, Dr. Howe was appointed by the Board of Directors to serve as a member of the Nominating and Corporate Governance and Compensation Committees.

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**S I G N A T U R E**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BB&T CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

By: /S/ EDWARD D. VEST

Edward D. Vest  
Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: January 31, 2005

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