FIRST CHARTER CORP /NC/

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 * MESSINGER ELLEN L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST CHARTER CORP /NC/ [FCTR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 10200 DAVID	(First) O TAYLOR	(Middle) DRIVE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2006	_X_ Director10% 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		
CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/09/2006		A	1,000 (1)	A	\$ 23.66	6,139	D		
Common Stock	01/20/2006		J(2)	5.7908	A	\$ 24.33	747.2941	I	Son - Alexander	
Common Stock	01/20/2006		J(2)	5.4665	A	\$ 24.33	705.4697	I	Son - Maxwell	
Common Stock	01/20/2006		J(2)	3.3025	A	\$ 24.33	426.203	I	Spouse - Timothy	

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)	of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Security (Instr. 5
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.5					(3)	01/20/2010	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.75					<u>(4)</u>	01/17/2011	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.37					<u>(5)</u>	01/16/2012	Common Stock	2,500	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 17.708					<u>(6)</u>	02/20/2007	Common Stock	600	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18					<u>(6)</u>	10/14/2009	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18.81					<u>(7)</u>	01/22/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock	\$ 18.854					<u>(6)</u>	05/19/2007	Common	1,200	

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Options (Right to buy)				Stock	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.02	(8)	01/21/2014	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.66	(8)	01/19/2015	Common Stock	2,500
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.75	<u>(6)</u>	04/29/2008	Common Stock	1,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
MESSINGER ELLEN L 10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373	X							

Signatures

Robin S. Leslie, by Power of Attorney 03/10/2006

**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).
- (2) Shares aguired under the First Charter Corporation dividend reinvestment plan since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- (8) Options are exercisable in 5 equal yearly installments beginning one year after grant date.
- (1) Represents a grant of restricted stock vesting in 3 equal yearly installments.
- (5) 1,500 options currently exercisable. The remaining 1,000 options are exercisable in equal installments on 01/16/2005 and 01/16/2006
- (3) 1,440 options are currently exercisable. Remaining 360 options exercisable on 01/20/2005
- (6) All Options are currently exercisable
- (4) 1,080 options are currently exercisable. Remaining 720 options exercisable in equal installments on 01/17/2005 and 01/17/2006
- (7) 1,666 options are currently exercisable. The remaining 3,334 options are exercisable in equal installments on 01/22/2005 and 01/22/2006 Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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