

FIRST CHARTER CORP /NC/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
BURT JAMES E III

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) (First) (Middle)  
10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2007

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

CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 20,350  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 110,000   | I  | Burt Mgmt Ltd Partnership                             |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 10,808  | I  | Spouse - Judith                                       |

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 | 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Phantom Stock                              | (1)  | 12/21/2007                           |  | A                   | 216.247   | (2)  | (2)   | Common Stock | 216.247                    |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 17.37   |                                      |  |                     |   | (3)  | 01/16/2012  | Common Stock | 2,800                      |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 18.81   |                                      |  |                     |   | (3)  | 01/22/2013  | Common Stock | 5,000                      |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 20.02   |                                      |  |                     |   | (3)  | 01/21/2014  | Common Stock | 1,800                      |
| Stock Options (Right to buy)               | \$ 23.66   |                                      |  |                     |   | (3)  | 01/19/2015  | Common Stock | 2,500                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BURT JAMES E III<br>10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE<br>CHARLOTTE, NC 28262-2373 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Stephen J Antal, by Power of Attorney  
12/26/2007

\_\_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).
- (2) Non-Employee directors may withdraw common stock from the deferred comp plan the first day of the calendar month following retirement, death, or termination.
- (3) All Options are currently exercisable
- (1) One for One

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