

MESSINGER ELLEN L  
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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 \*  
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) (First) (Middle)  
10200 DAVID TAYLOR DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
04/17/2008

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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M		1,800 A \$ 14.5	(1)	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M		1,800 A \$ 15.75	(1)	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M		2,500 A \$ 17.37	(1)	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M		1,800 A \$ 18	(1)	D
Common Stock	04/17/2008		M		5,000 A \$ 18.81	(1)	D

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Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	1,800	A	\$ 20.02	23,792.1943 (1)	D	
Common Stock	04/17/2008	M	2,500	A	\$ 23.66	26,292.1943 (1)	D	
Common Stock						784.8575 (2)	I	Son - Alexander
Common Stock						740.9306 (3)	I	Son - Maxwell
Common Stock						447.6267 (4)	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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(5)					(6) (6)	Common Stock	528.157
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.75					(7) 04/29/2008	Common Stock	1,000
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.5	04/17/2008		M	1,800	(7) 01/20/2010	Common Stock	1,800
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 15.75	04/17/2008		M	1,800	(7) 01/17/2011	Common Stock	1,800
	\$ 17.37	04/17/2008		M	2,500	(7) 01/16/2012		2,500

Stock Options (Right to buy)								Common Stock	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18	04/17/2008	M	1,800	(7)	10/14/2009	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 18.81	04/17/2008	M	5,000	(7)	01/22/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 20.02	04/17/2008	M	1,800	(7)	01/21/2014	Common Stock	1,800	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23.66	04/17/2008	M	2,500	(7)	01/19/2015	Common Stock	2,500	

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

Stephen J Antal, by Power of Attorney  
04/21/2008

\_\_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).
- (4) Includes 7.5421 shares acquired under the First Charter Corporation dividend reinvestment plan since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- (6) Non-Employee directors may withdraw common stock from the deferred comp plan the first day of the calendar month following retirement, death, or termination.
- (2) Includes 13.2242 shares acquired under the First Charter Corporation dividend reinvestment plan since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- (7) All Options are currently exercisable
- (3) Includes 12.4841 shares acquired under the First Charter Corporation dividend reinvestment plan since the date of the reporting person's last report.

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- (1) Includes 153,1943 shares acquired under the First Charter Corporation dividend reinvestment plan since the date of the reporting person's last report.
- (5) One for One

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