

KERMOTT GARY LEWIS

Form 4

December 12, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
KERMOTT GARY LEWIS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY

(Street)

SANTA ANA, CA 92707

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)]

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

12/08/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	32,018	D	
Common Stock					12,502.924	I	By 401(k) Plan Trust (1)
Common Stock					3,769.535	I	By ESOP Trust (2)
Common Stock					350	I	By Self for Son Crandall
					350	I	

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Common
Stock

By Self for
Son Kyle

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 47.49	12/08/2005		A		60,000		12/08/2006 ⁽³⁾	12/08/2015	Common Stock	60,000
Employee Director Stock (right to buy)	\$ 23.583							04/23/1999 ⁽⁴⁾	04/23/2008	Common Stock	30,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27							12/14/2001 ⁽⁵⁾	12/14/2010	Common Stock	25,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.08							12/13/2002 ⁽⁶⁾	12/13/2011	Common Stock	25,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.85							02/27/2004 ⁽⁷⁾	02/27/2013	Common Stock	60,000

Employee

Stock

Option \$ 30.56
(right to
buy)

02/26/2005⁽⁸⁾ 02/26/2014Common
Stock 60,0

Employee

Stock

Option \$ 36.55
(right to
buy)

02/28/2006⁽⁹⁾ 02/28/2015Common
Stock 60,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KERMOTT GARY LEWIS 1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY SANTA ANA, CA 92707			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In
Fact for 12/12/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- Amount shown consists of shares contributed by issuer as company match, shares purchased for my account and shares acquired through
- (1) automatic reinvestment of dividends paid as reported in most recent account statement in transactions exempt under rules 16a-3(f)(1)(i)(B) and 16b-3(c).
 - (2) Amount shown consists of shares allocated to my account in previous years and shares acquired through automatic reinvestment of dividends paid on such previously allocated shares, as reported in most recent account statement.
 - (3) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/8/06, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (4) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 4/23/99, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (5) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/14/01, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (6) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/13/02, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (7) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/27/04, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (8) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/26/05, the first anniversary of the grant.
 - (9) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/28/06, the first anniversary of the grant.

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