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BROWN JOHN III
Form 4
September 17, 2002
      UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
      WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
      FORM 4
      STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
      () Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
      Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).
      1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
         Brown, John III
         First Mariner Bancorp
         1801 South Clinton Street
         Baltimore, MD 21224
      2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
         First Mariner Bancorp
         FMAR
      3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
      4. Statement for Month/Year
         September 12, 2002
      5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
      6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
         (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other
         (specify below)
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7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

1. Title of Security	2.  3.  4.Securities A   Transaction   or Disposed	5.Amount of   Securities		
	           Date  Code V  Amount	A/    D   Price	Beneficially   Owned at   End of Month	
COMMON STOCK	9/12/0 P    200	A  \$10.65	200	
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Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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Explanation of Responses: SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON /s/ John Brown III DATE September 17, 2002