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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SANDO BARRY M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST AMERICAN CORP [FAF]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (I	Middle) 3	(Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction								
1 FIRST AN	MERICAN WAY		(Month/D)4/15/2	Oay/Year) 010				DirectorX Officer (give below) Business		Owner or (specify	
	(Street)	4	4. If Ame	ndment, Da	te Original			6. Individual or Jo	int/Group Filin	g(Check	
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution I any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitin(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 3	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	04/15/2010			M <u>(1)</u>	20,000	A	\$ 22.85	83,554	D		
Common Stock	04/15/2010			S <u>(1)</u>	20,000	D	\$ 36.25 (2)	63,554	D (3) (4) (5) (6)		
Common Stock								5,548.996	I	By 401(k) Plan Trust	

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or Di (D)	rities aired (A) sposed of c. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.85	04/15/2010		M <u>(1)</u>		20,000	02/27/2004(8)	02/27/2013	Common Stock	20,
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 30.56						02/26/2005(9)	02/26/2014	Common Stock	50,
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.55						02/28/2006(10)	02/28/2015	Common Stock	50,
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 47.49						12/08/2006(11)	12/08/2015	Common Stock	50,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SANDO BARRY M							
1 FIRST AMERICAN WAY			Business Segment President				
WESTLAKE, TX 76262							

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Signatures

/s/ Stacy S. Rentner, Attorney-in-Fact for Barry M. Sando

04/19/2010

**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).
- (1) The cashless option exercise reported on this Form 4 was executed pursuant to the reporting person's 10b5-1 trading plan.
- The price reported is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$36.00 to \$36.50, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to The First American Corporation, any security holder of The First American Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
- (3) Includes 22,047 unvested restricted stock units (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of 21,916 restricted stock units vesting in five equal annual increments commencing 3/3/11, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (4) Includes 19,509 unvested restricted stock units (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of 23,507 restricted stock units vesting in five equal annual increments commencing 3/4/10, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (5) Includes 14,738 unvested restricted stock units (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of 22,848 restricted stock units vesting in five equal annual increments commencing 3/4/09, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (6) Includes 6,680 unvested restricted stock units (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of 15,211 restricted stock units vesting in five equal annual increments commencing 3/5/08, the first anniversary of the grant.
- Amount shown consists of shares contributed by issuer as company match, shares purchased for my account and shares acquired through 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).
- (8) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/27/04, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (9) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/26/05, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (10) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 2/28/06, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (11) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/8/06, the first anniversary of the grant.

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