

FIRST BANCORP /PR/
Form 4
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**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549**

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* (Last, First, Middle) Alvarez-Pérez, Angel A. <hr/>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol First BanCorp (FBP) <hr/>	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary) <hr/>
P O Box 9866 <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Street)</i></p> Santurce , PR 00908 <hr/> <p><i>(City) (State) (Zip)</i></p>	4. Statement for (Month/Day/Year) December 25, 2002 <hr/>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) <hr/>
x Director <input type="radio"/> 10% Owner x Officer (give title below) o Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO <hr/>	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable) x Director <input type="radio"/> 10% Owner x Officer (give title below) o Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO <hr/>	
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) x Form filed by One Reporting Person o Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	2a. Deemed Execution Date, if any. <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>
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			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		
A. First BanCorp's Common Stock	12-25-02		G		100,000	D	2,828,459***	D

B. First BanCorp's Common Stock	12-25-02		G		100,000	D	2,728,459***	D
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							10,650***	I	By spouse
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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 <i>(Instr. 3)</i>	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	3a. Deemed Execution Date, if any <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	4. Transaction Code <i>(Instr. 8)</i>	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <i>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</i>	
				Code V	(A)	(D)

Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Continued
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities <i>(Instr. 3 and 4)</i>	8. Price of Derivative Security <i>(Instr. 5)</i>	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <i>(Instr. 4)</i>	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <i>(Instr. 4)</i>

Explanation of Responses:

- A. Represents a donation (gift) to adult son, Angel A. Alvarez-Freiria
 - B. Represents a donation (gift) to adult daughter, Isabel C. Alvarez-Freiria
- Reporting person disclaims ownership of the securities donated to his children as reported herein.

***The amounts reflect adjustment resulting from 50% stock split distributed on September 30, 2002.

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/s/ Angel A. Alvarez-Pérez

12-26-02

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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