

DAVIS WILLIAM GRENVILLE  
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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 \*  
DAVIS WILLIAM GRENVILLE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

79 WELLINGTON STREET  
WEST, SUITE 3000, MARITIME  
LIFE TOWER

(Street)

TORONTO, ON M5K 1N2

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

FIRST AMERICAN CORP [(FAF)]

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

12/07/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |                                                    |                                | (A) or (D)                                                        | Price                                                                                         |                                                          |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount                                                                                        |                                                          |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | M                              |                                                                   | 6,750                                                                                         | \$ 17.25                                                 | 8,261 D                           |
| Common Stock                    | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 1,100                                                                                         | \$ 36.79                                                 | 7,161 D                           |
| Common Stock                    | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 1,194                                                                                         | \$ 36.78                                                 | 5,967 D                           |
| Common Stock                    | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 400                                                                                           | \$ 36.76                                                 | 5,567 D                           |
| Common Stock                    | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | S                              |                                                                   | 4,056                                                                                         | \$ 36.75                                                 | 1,511 D <sup>(1)</sup>            |

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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 (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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.25                                               | 12/07/2007                           |                                                    | M                              | 6,750                                                                          | 08/31/1999 06/23/2009                                    | Common Stock 6                                              |
| Nonemployee Director Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 47.49                                               |                                      |                                                    |                                |                                                                                | 12/08/2006 <sup>(2)</sup> 12/08/2015                     | Common Stock 5                                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                                 | Relationships |           |         |       |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                                                                | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DAVIS WILLIAM GRENVILLE<br>79 WELLINGTON STREET WEST<br>SUITE 3000, MARITIME LIFE TOWER<br>TORONTO, ON M5K 1N2 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

By: Jeffrey S. Robinson, Attorney In Fact for  
Date: 12/10/2007

\*\*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) Includes 1,061 shares (including shares acquired through automatic dividend reinvestment) acquired pursuant to a grant of restricted stock units, vesting in three equal annual increments commencing 3/5/08, the first anniversary of the grant.
- (2) The option vests in five equal annual increments commencing 12/8/06, the first anniversary of the grant.

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