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REGISTRATION NO. 333-______

> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549 FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

> > F.N.B. Corporation

_____ (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

F.N.B. Center, 2150 Goodlette Road North, Naples, Florida 34102 -----

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

1996 INCENTIVE PLAN

_____ (Full Title of the Plan)

Gary L. Tice, President F.N.B. Corporation F.N.B. Center 2150 Goodlette Road North Naples, Florida 34102 (941) 262-7600

(Name, address, telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

Copies Requested to: Robert C. Schwartz, Esq. Smith, Gambrell & Russell, LLP 1230 Peachtree Street, N.E., Suite 3100 Atlanta, Georgia 30309 (404) 815-3500

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

______ PROPOSED MAXIMUM PROPOSED MAXIMUM

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Common Stock	Shares			
Options and Shares of \$.01 par value	1,000,000	\$29.20	\$29,200,000	
TO BE REGISTERED	REGISTERED	SHARE (1)	OFFERING PRICE(1)	

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee pursuant to Rule 457(c) based upon the average of the high and low reported prices of the common stock on the Nasdaq National Market on February 28, 2002.

This Registration Statement covers 1,000,000 additional shares of the \$.01 par value common stock of F.N.B. Corporation issuable pursuant to FNB's 1996 Incentive Plan, for which a previously filed Registration Statement on Form S-8 is effective. The contents of FNB's earlier Registration Statement on Form S-8, File No. 333-03489, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 10, 1996, are incorporated herein by reference.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The documents listed below are hereby incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement, and all documents subsequently filed by FNB pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which indicates that all securities offered have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing such documents:

- FNB's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2000;
- 2. FNB's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for each of the quarters ended March 31, 2001, June 30, 2001 and September 30, 2001;
- FNB's Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 9, 2001, February 6, 2001, March 6, 2001, June 1, 2001, June 14, 2001 and February 28, 2002; and
- 4. The description of FNB's common stock contained in FNB's Registration Statement filed under Section 12 of the Exchange Act, including all amendments and reports updating such description.

ITEM 5. INTERESTS OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

The validity of the common stock registered hereby will be passed upon by James G. Orie, Corporate Counsel of FNB. Mr. Orie owns shares of FNB common stock and holds options to purchase shares of FNB common stock in an amount which does not exceed 1% of FNB's outstanding shares of common stock.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Florida Business Corporation Act, as amended (the "Florida Act"), provides that, in general, a business corporation may indemnify any person who is or was a party to any proceeding (other than an action by, or in the right of, the corporation) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director or officer of the corporation, against liability incurred in connection with such proceeding, including any appeal thereof, provided certain standards are met, including that such officer or director acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, and provided further that, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, the officer or director had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful.

In the case of proceedings by or in the right of the corporation, the Florida Act provides that, in general, a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party to any such proceeding by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director of officer of the corporation against expenses and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonable incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such proceeding, including any appeal thereof, provided that such person acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the corporation, except that no indemnification shall be made in respect of any claim as to which such person is adjudged liable unless

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a court of competent jurisdiction determines upon application that such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity. To the extent that any officers or directors are successful on the merits or otherwise in the defense of any of the proceedings described above, the Florida Act provides that the corporation is required to indemnify such officers or directors against expenses actually and reasonably incurred in connection therewith. However, the Florida Act further provides that, in general, indemnification or advancement of expenses shall not be made to or on behalf of any officer or director if a judgment or other final adjudication establishes that his or her actions, or omissions to act, were material to the cause of action so adjudicated and constitute: (i) a violation of the criminal law, unless the director or officer had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe it was unlawful; (ii) a transaction from which the director or officer derived an improper personal benefit; (iii) in the case of a director, a circumstance under which the director has voted for or assented to a distribution made in violation of the Florida Act or the corporation's articles of incorporation; or (iv) willful misconduct or a conscious disregard for the best interests of the corporation in a proceeding by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor or in a proceeding by or in the right of a shareholder.

FNB's Articles of Incorporation provide that FNB shall indemnify its directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by law in connection with any actual or threatened action, suit or proceedings, civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or other (whether brought by or in the right of FNB or otherwise) arising out of their service to FNB or to another organization at FNB's request, or because of their positions with FNB. The Articles further provide that FNB may purchase and maintain insurance to protect itself and any such director or officer against any liability, cost or expense asserted against or incurred by him in respect of such service, whether or not FNB would have the power to indemnify him against such liability by law or under the provisions of this paragraph.

FNB's Bylaws provide that to the fullest extent permitted by law, no

director of FNB shall be personally liable for monetary damages for any action taken, or any failure to take any action.

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ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

The following exhibits are filed with or incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION OF EXHIBIT
4.1	Articles of Incorporation of F.N.B. Corporation, as amended (incorporated h by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Form 8-K filed by FNB on June 1, 2001)
4.2	Bylaws of F.N.B. Corporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.2 to the Form 8-K filed by FNB on June 1, 2001)
5.1	Opinion of James G. Orie, Corporate Counsel of FNB
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
23.2	Consent of Bobbitt, Pittenger & Company, P.A.
23.3	Consent of James G. Orie, Corporate Counsel of FNB (contained in his opinio filed as Exhibit 5.1)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Naples, State of Florida, on this 28th day of February, 2002.

F.N.B. CORPORATION

By: /s/ Gary L. Tice
Gary L. Tice
President and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE	TITLE 	DATE
/s/ Peter Mortensen	Chairman of the Board	February 2
/s/ Gary L. Tice Gary L. Tice	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (principal executive officer)	February 2
/s/ Stephen J. Gurgovits	Vice Chairman	February 2
/s/ John D. Waters John D. Waters	Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial and accounting officer)	February 2
W. Richard Blackwood	Director	
Alan C. Bomstein	Director	
/s/ William B. Campbell William B. Campbell	Director	February 2
/s/ Charles T. Cricks	Director	February 2
/s/ Henry M. EkkerHenry M. Ekker	Director	February 2
James S. Lindsey	Director	
/s/ Paul P. Lynch	Director February 28, 2002	

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Edward J. Mace	Director	
Robert S. Moss	Director	
William A. Quinn	Director	
/s/ William J. Strimbu	Director	February 28, 2002
/s/ Archie O. Wallace	Director	February 28, 2002
/s/ James T. Weller	Director	February 28, 2002
Eric J. Werner	Director	
/s/ R. Benjamin Wiley R. Benjamin Wiley	Director	February 28, 2002
/s/ Donna C. Winner Donna C. Winner	Director	February 28, 2002

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