FRANKLIN JACK R

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FRANKLIN JACK R			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST BANCTRUST CORP [FBTC]				
(Last) (Fi	irst)	(Middle)	01/26/2006		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
206 SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE					(Check	all applicable)	,		
PARIS, IL 6	(Street) . 61944				Director 10% Owner Vofficer Other (give title below) (specify below) Senior Vice President			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (St	tate)	(Zip)	Tak	ble I - N	on-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Ben	Amount of neficially (str. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	*	
Common stock			4,9	973		I	Wife	s's IRA	
Common stock			12,	,369		I	401(k) Plan	
Common stock			5,6	500		I	Reco	egnition & Retention Plan	
Common stock			3,7	738		I	ESO	P	
Reminder: Report or owned directly or ine	directly. Person informa require	s who respation conta	ch class of securities cond to the collect sined in this form nd unless the for MB control number	ction of are not rm displa	· S.	EC 1473 (7-02))		

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock option	05/15/2004	05/15/2013	Common stock	18,000	\$ 9.87	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
• 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
FRANKLIN JACK R 206 SOUTH CENTRAL AVENUE PARIS, IL 61944	Â	Â	Senior Vice President	Â		

Signatures

Timothy E. Kraepel, Attorney-in-Fact 01/31/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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