

FIRST BANCORP /PR/
Form 8-K
February 12, 2009

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

February 12, 2009

First BanCorp.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Puerto Rico

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-14793

(Commission
File Number)

66-0561882

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

1519 Ponce de Leon Ave., PO Box 9146, San
Juan, Puerto Rico

(Address of principal executive offices)

00908-0146

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

787-729-8041

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

First BanCorp (the "Corporation") announced today that its Board of Directors has declared the next payment of common stock dividends for stockholders of record as of March 15, 2009.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated February 12, 2009

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

First BanCorp.

February 12, 2009

By: Fernando Scherrer

Name: Fernando Scherrer

Title: EVP, Chief Financial Officer

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<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated February 12, 2009