

First American Financial Corp  
Form 10-12B  
December 14, 2009

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10**

**GENERAL FORM FOR REGISTRATION OF SECURITIES**

**Pursuant to Section 12(b) or (g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction)

**26-1911571**  
(IRS Employer)

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

**1 First American Way, Santa Ana, California**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**92707-5913**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (714) 250-3000

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which

to be so registered

each class is to be registered

Common Stock, par value \$0.00001 per share

New York Stock Exchange

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

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None

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of large accelerated filer, accelerated filer and smaller reporting company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer   
Smaller reporting company

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**INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT**
**CROSS-REFERENCE SHEET BETWEEN INFORMATION STATEMENT AND ITEMS OF FORM 10**

This registration statement on Form 10 incorporates by reference information contained in the information statement filed as Exhibit 99(a) hereto. The cross-reference table below identifies where the items required by Form 10 can be found in the information statement.

| <b>Item No.</b> | <b>Item Caption</b>   | <b>Location in Information Statement</b>   |
|-----------------|---|--|
| 1.              | Business  | See Summary, Risk Factors, Special Note About Forward-Looking Statements, Questions and Answers About the Separation, The Separation, Capitalization, Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Business and Where You Can Find More Information |
| 1A.             | Risk Factors  | See Summary, Risk Factors, and Questions and Answers About the Separation  |
| 2.              | Financial Information   | See Summary, Selected Historical Combined Financial and Other Data, Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements, Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk and Description of Material Indebtedness                                |
| 3.              | Properties  | See Business Properties  |
| 4.              | Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management                                  | See Security Ownership of First American and FinCo   |
| 5.              | Directors and Executive Officers  | See Management   |
| 6.              | Executive Compensation  | See Management and Treatment of Outstanding Equity-Based Arrangements  |
| 7.              | Certain Relationships and Related Transactions, and Director Independence                       | See Questions and Answers About the Separation, Relationship With InfoCo and Certain Relationships, Related Transactions and Director Independence   |
| 8.              | Legal Proceedings   | See Business Legal Proceedings   |
| 9.              | Market Price of and Dividends on the Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters | See Summary, Questions and Answers About the Separation, The Separation, Trading Market, Dividends, Capitalization and Description of Capital Stock  |
| 10.             | Recent Sales of Unregistered Securities   | Not applicable   |
| 11.             | Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered   | See Description of Capital Stock and Shares Eligible for Future Sale   |
| 12.             | Indemnification of Directors and Officers   | See Description of Capital Stock Indemnification of Directors and Officers   |
| 13.             | Financial Statements and Supplementary Data   | See Unaudited Pro Forma Condensed Combined Financial Statements, Index to Financial Statements and the statements referenced therein   |
| 14.             | Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure            | Not applicable   |

**Item 15. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a) Financial Statements

The following financial statements are included in the information statement:

Financial Statements:

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(b) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
|--------------------|--|
| 2(a)               | Form of Separation and Distribution Agreement (1)  |
| 3(a)               | Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of First American Financial Corporation (1)  |
| 3(b)               | Bylaws of First American Financial Corporation (1)   |
| 10(a)              | Form of Tax Sharing Agreement between First American Financial Corporation and The First American Corporation (1)                                  |
| 10(b)              | Form of Data Sharing Agreement between First American Financial Corporation and First American CoreLogic Holdings, Inc. (1)                        |
| 10(c)              | Form of License Agreement between First American CoreLogic Holdings, Inc. (as Licensor) and First American Financial Corporation (as Licensee) (1) |
| 10(d)              | Form of License Agreement between First American Financial Corporation (as Licensor) and First American CoreLogic Holdings, Inc. (as Licensee) (1) |

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| Exhibit No. | Description  |
|-------------|--|
| 10(e)       | Employment Agreement, dated December 17, 2008, between The First American Corporation and Dennis J. Gilmore, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(dddd) to The First American Corporation Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008   |
| 10(f)       | Employment Agreement, dated December 17, 2008, between The First American Corporation and Kenneth D. DeGiorgio (1)   |
| 10(g)       | Employment Agreement, dated December 17, 2008, between The First American Corporation and Max O. Valdes, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(ffff) to The First American Corporation Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008   |
| 10(h)       | The First American Corporation Amended and Restated Executive Supplemental Benefit Plan, effective as of January 1, 2009, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(i) to The First American Corporation Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008   |
| 10(i)       | The First American Corporation Amended and Restated Executive Supplemental Benefit Plan, effective as of January 1, 2009, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(p) to The First American Corporation Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008   |
| 10(j)       | The First American Corporation Amended and Restated Change in Control Agreement (Executive Form), to be effective as of January 1, 2010, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(c) to The First American Corporation Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009  |
| 10(k)       | The First American Corporation Amended and Restated Change in Control Agreement (Management Form), to be effective as of January 1, 2010, incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 10(d) to The First American Corporation Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended September 30, 2009   |
| 10(l)       | Form of First American Financial Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan (1)  |
| 10(m)       | Form of First American Financial Corporation 2010 Incentive Compensation Plan (1)  |
| 10(n)       | Form of Notice of Restricted Stock Unit Grant (Employee) and Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Employee) (1)  |
| 10(o)       | Form of Notice of Restricted Stock Unit Grant (Non-Employee Director) and Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (Non-Employee Director) (1)  |
| 10(p)       | Form of Notice of Performance Unit Grant and Performance Unit Award Agreement (1)  |
| 10(q)       | Support Agreement, dated April 10, 2008, between The First American Corporation, Highfields Capital Management LP, Highfields GP LLC, Highfields Associates LLC, Highfields Capital I L.P., Highfields Capital II L.P., and Highfields Capital III L.P., incorporated by reference herein from Exhibit 99.1 to The First American Corporation Current Report on Form 8-K, dated April 14, 2008 |
| 10(r)       | Form of Credit Agreement among First American Financial Corporation, [ ] and [ ] (1)   |
| 99(a)       | Information Statement  |

(1) To be filed by amendment

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST AMERICAN FINANCIAL CORPORATION

Date: December 11, 2009

By: /s/ KENNETH D. DeGIORGIO

Name: **Kenneth D. DeGiorgio**

Title: **Executive Vice President**