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FORM 5

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

- O Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. *See* Instruction 1(b).
- o Form 3 Holdings Reported
- o Form 4 Transactions Reported

Name and Address of Reporting Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary)
Jones, Barbara J.	First Busey Corporation — BUSE	
(Last) (First) (Middle)		
	4. Statement for Month/Year	5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
1517 Bridge Point Lane	December 2002	_
(Street)	6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)	7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)
	O Director O 10% Owner	
Champaign, IL 61822	☑ Officer (<i>give title below</i>)	O Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	O Other (specify below)	
	Chief Financial Officer - First Busey Corporation	
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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.	or Dispose	curities Acquired (A) Disposed of (D) str. 3, 4 and 5)		isposed of (D)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at the End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Amount	(A) or (D)	Price						
	Common		8/20/2002		8/20/2002		S		200	D	\$22.011	11,725	D				
												2,937.2813	I		ESOP Plan		
												1,075	I		401 (k) / Profit Sharing Pla		
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Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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 Derivat Acquired (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	
										(A)	(D)
Employee Stock Option		\$16.75		6/16/1998							
Employee Stock Option		\$21.839		4/16/2002							

Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year	<u> </u>	U	itle and Ai nderlying nstr. 3 and	Securities	8.	Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	. Number of Derivati Securities Beneficia Owned at End of Year (Instr. 4)			Ownership of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11.	Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Ti	itle	Amou Numb Sha	er of							
7/1/2003	9/30/2004	Cı	ommon		3,000		3,	000		D		
4/16/2005	12/16/2010	Co	ommon		10,000		10,	000		D		
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			*Signatu	ıre of Re	porting I			Date		nd 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a)).	

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Barbara J. Kuhl and Nicole M. Warren signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of First Busey Corporation (the "Company") Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 24th day of January, 2003.

/s/ Balbala J. Julies		
Signature		
Barbara J. Jones		
Print Name		