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SCHEDULE 13G (Rule 13d-102)					
INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b)(c), AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(b)					
(Amendment No. 3)*					
First BanCorp					
(Name of Issuer)					
COMMON STOCK					
(Title of Class of Securities)					
318672102					
(CUSIP Number)					
DECEMBER 31, 2001					
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of	f this Statement)				
Check the appropriate box to designate the Schedule is filed:	e rule pursuant to which this				
[_] Rule 13d-1(b)					
[_] Rule 13d-(c)					
[_] Rule 13d-1(d)					

<sup>\*</sup> The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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	Garity &	Co. C	apital Management 66-057 6226	
2.	CHECK THE	APPR		[_] [_]
3.	SEC USE O	NLY		
4.	CITIZENSH	IP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	
	USA			
NUN	MBER OF	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER	
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PI	ERSON	8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
V	NITH		1,816,912	
9.	AGGREGATE	AMOU	NT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON	
	1,816,912			
10.	CHECK BOX	IF T	HE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SI	HARES*
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<sup>11.</sup> PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.85% 12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\* ΙA \*SEE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE FILLING OUT! CUSIP No. 318672102 13G Item 1(a). Name of Issuer: First BanCorp Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1519 Ponce De Leon Avenue, Stop 23 Santuree, PR 00908 Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing: Garity & Co. Capital Management Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office, or if None, Residence: 1410 Banco Popular Center San Juan, PR 00918 Item 2(c). Citizenship: USA Item 2(d). Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock Item 2(e). CUSIP Number: 318672102 If This Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) Item 3. or (c), Check Whether the Person Filing is a: (a) [\_] Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act. (b) [\_] Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act. (c) [\_] Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act.

(d) [\_] Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment

Company Act.

[X] An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E); (f) [\_] An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);[\_] A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G); (h) [\_] A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act; [\_] A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an (i) investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act; (j) [\_] Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J). If this statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c), check this box. [\_] CUSIP No. 318672102 13G Item 4. Ownership. Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1. (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,816,912 (b) Percent of class: 6.85% (c) Number of shares as to which such person has: Sole power to vote or to direct the vote (i) (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote 1,816,912 (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 1,816,912 Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class. N/A

Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

N/A

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company.

N/A

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

N/A

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

N/A

Item 10. Certifications.

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1 (b):

"By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect."

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to Rule 13d-1 (c):

"By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect."

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 14, 2002

(Date)

/s/ THOMAS GARITY

(Signature)

Thomas Garity, Principal

(Name/Title)

Note. Schedules filed in paper format shall include a signed original and five copies of the schedule, including all exhibits. See Rule 13d-7 (b) for other parties for whom copies are to be sent.

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