

First California Financial Group, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
January 28, 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

(January 23, 2009)

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported)

**FIRST CALIFORNIA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant As Specified In Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State of Incorporation)

000-52498  
(Commission File Number)

38-3737811  
(IRS Employer Identification Number)

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**3027 Townsgate Road, Suite 300**

**Westlake Village, CA 91361**

**(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)**

**(805) 322-9655**

**(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)**

**N/A**

**(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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On January 23, 2009, First California Financial Group, Inc. (the Company) announced that First California Bank, the Company's banking subsidiary, had entered into an agreement with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation to assume insured, non-brokered deposits of 1<sup>st</sup> Centennial Bank, Redlands, California. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 Press release dated January 23, 2009.

**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 hereunder duly authorized.

FIRST CALIFORNIA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

Dated: January 27, 2009

By: /s/ Romolo Santarosa  
Name: Romolo Santarosa  
Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer