

BERMUDEZ JUAN J
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FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BERMUDEZ JUAN J

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
POPULAR INC [BPOP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

 (Check all applicable)

P.O. BOX 362708

 (Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708

 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

 (check applicable line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	12/31/2006	12/31/2006	J ⁽¹⁾	39,932 A \$ 0	1,373,409	D	À
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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