FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES

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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BARBERCHECK RICHARD S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
255 E. FIFTH STREET, SUITE 2900			02/27/2015	below) below) EVP & CCO			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
CINCINNAT	TI, OH 4520)2	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne			

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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. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/27/2015		Code V D(1)	Amount 2,071	or (D) D	Price \$ 17.43	(Instr. 3 and 4) 11,615	I	Restricted	
Common Stock	02/27/2015		A(2)	1,407	A	\$ 17.43	21,934	D		
Common Stock							350.4	I	401k	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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						Exercisable	Date		of		
				C-J- V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARBERCHECK RICHARD S 255 E. FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202

EVP & CCO

Signatures

/s/ Billie L.
Meents, POA

03/02/2015

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Vesting of Restricted Stock Award
- (2) Vesting of Restricted Stock Award less shares withheld for taxes.

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