

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
X Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 CFO and CAO

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 255 EAST FIFTH STREET, SUITE 2900  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/27/2014

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check 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 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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/27/2014		D <sup>(1)</sup>	V 1,965 D	\$ 16.95 14,325	I	Restricted
Common Stock	02/27/2014		A <sup>(2)</sup>	V 1,317 A	\$ 16.95 9,842	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2014		J <sup>(3)</sup>	V 2,144 D	\$ 0 7,698	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2014		J <sup>(3)</sup>	V 2,144 A	\$ 0 13,983	I	USB Brokerage Account
					8,739.1072	I	401k

Common  
Stock

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)

1. 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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 16.61					12/20/2007 12/20/2016		Common Stock	5,000
2007 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 14.9					04/30/2008 04/30/2017		Common Stock	6,711
2007 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 14.9					04/30/2008 04/30/2017		Common Stock	289

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
stollings anthony m 255 EAST FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202			CFO and CAO	

## Signatures

/s/ Hope M.  
Elliott, POA

02/28/2014

\*\*Signature of Reporting  
Person

Date

## 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
- (3) Transfer of shares held in direct name to USB brokerage account.

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