CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hollenbeck Martin F Issuer Symbol CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [CINF] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD 02/10/2017 Sr.VP, Chief Investment Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141

| (City) | (State) (Z | Zip) Table | I - Non-De | erivative Securities Ac | quired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Transactio Code | 4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Code V | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | | | , | | 39,396 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,471 <u>(1)</u> | I | By 401(k) |

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--|--------------------|---|------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou or Numb of Sha |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 70.7 | 02/10/2017 | | A | 30,810 | 02/10/2018(2) | 02/10/2027 | Common Stock | 30,8 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/10/2017 | | A | 9,402 | <u>(3)</u> | (3) | Common Stock | 9,40 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/10/2017 | | A | 2,411 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 2,41 |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 0 | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 4,71 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hollenbeck Martin F

6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD Sr.VP, Chief Investment Officer

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Signatures

/s/ Martin F Hollenbeck 02/13/2017

**Signature of Reporting 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) The reported stock was acquired under the company's 401(k) plan. The reporting person may transfer the value of his shares into an alternative investment selection within the plan.

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- (2) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (3) The restricted stock units vest March 1, 2020, as set forth in the grant agreement, if performance goals are met. The number of restricted stock units shown is the maximum number of such units that may vest.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in three annual installments on March 1, as set forth in the grant agreement, if service requirements are met.
 - The reported phantom stock shares were acquired under the company's Top Hat Savings Plan, an "Excess Benefits Plan" within the
- (5) meaning of Rule 16b-3(b)(2), and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service. The reporting person may transfer the value of his phantom stock shares into an alternative investment selection within the plan.

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