FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Meyer Jeffrey D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

255 EAST 5TH STREET, SUITE

(Street)

2900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

/OH/ [FFBC]

(Month/Day/Year)

10/11/2016

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
(Directors Fee Stock Plan)	10/11/2016		P	320	A	\$ 21.35	2,880	D	
Common Stock							36,205	D	
Common Stock							1,405	I	$\underset{\underline{(1)}}{RESTRICTED}$
Common Stock							517.6318	I	Spouse

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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)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or	onNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		7. Title Amount Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	t of ring es	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Number		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Meyer Jeffrey D 255 EAST 5TH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X							

Signatures

Person

/s/ Billie L.
Meents, POA

**Signature of Reporting

Date

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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) Director Restricted Stock

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