#### BARRON WILLIAM G

Form 4 April 03, 2018

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BARRON WILLIAM G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  255 EAST 5TH STREET, SUITE 2900		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2018	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
CINCINNATI	(Street)	, ,	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) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially 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. Securitie or(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 a	osed o	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)
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	67,622	A	<u>(1)</u>	71,966.605	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	562,151	A	<u>(1)</u>	562,151	I	By Family Trust
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	72,498	A	<u>(1)</u>	72,498	I	Spouse IRA
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	112,602	A	(1)	112,602	I	By Generation Skipping Trust

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative	J
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(J	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative			Securities	(Instr. 5)	]	
		Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
		Security				Acquired						]
		•				(A) or						]
						Disposed						-
						of (D)						(
						(Instr. 3,						
						4, and 5)						
										Amount		
							Date	Expiration		or		
							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
										of		
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARRON WILLIAM G 255 EAST 5TH STREET, SUITE 2900 X CINCINNATI, OH 45202

## **Signatures**

/s/ Billie L. 04/03/2018 Meents, POA

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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Received pursuant to the merger agreement between First Financial Bancorp. ("First Financial") and MainSource Financial Group, Inc. ("MainSource"), dated July 25, 2017 (the "Merger Agreement"), pursuant to which MainSource was merged with and into First Financial on April 1, 2018 (the "Effective Time"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, as of the Effective Time, (i) each issued and outstanding share of MainSource's common stock converted into the right to receive 1.3875 shares of First Financial common stock and cash in lieu

(1) of fractional shares (the "Merger Consideration"), and (ii) each outstanding restricted share and each outstanding performance share unit fully vested and was cancelled and converted automatically into the right to receive the Merger Consideration in respect of each share of MainSource's common stock underlying such award, less applicable tax withholdings. On the trading day immediately preceding Effective Date, the closing price of MainSource's common stock was \$40.65 per share and the closing price of First Financial's common stock was \$29.35 per share.

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