FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/

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FORM 4

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See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Rahe Maribeth S

Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP

(Check all applicable)

/OH/ [FFBC]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First)

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

255 EAST FIFTH STREET, SUITE

(Street)

05/26/2015

2900

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	ally 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. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed 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	05/26/2015		A	1,586	A	\$ 0	3,166	I	Restricted
Common Stock	05/27/2015		D	1,580 (1)	D	\$ 17.49	1,586	I	Restricted
Common Stock	05/27/2015		A	1,580 (1)	A	\$ 17.49	10,707	D	
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)							7,671	D	

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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	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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					4, and 5)						
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						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable Date	Date	Title	of		
				Code V	(A) (D)						
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Rahe Maribeth S 255 EAST FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X						

Signatures

**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.

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