

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/
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FORM 4

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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 *
DAVIS CLAUDE E

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 E FIFTH STREET, SUITE 2900
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/20/2014

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President & CEO

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)		
Common Stock	03/20/2014		X		221 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 17.19	D	
Common Stock	03/20/2014		X		1,590 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 17.19	D	
Common Stock					580.1709	I	401-k
Common Stock					60,441	I	Restricted
Common Stock					47,558	I	Restricted-P

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2004 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.19	03/20/2014		F	5,596	10/01/2005	10/01/2014	Common Stock	5,596
2004 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.19	03/20/2014		X	221	10/01/2005	10/01/2014	Common Stock	221
2004 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 17.19	03/20/2014		F	42,593	10/01/2005	10/01/2014	Common Stock	42,593
2004 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 17.19	03/20/2014		X	1,590	10/01/2005	10/01/2014	Common Stock	1,590
2005 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.51					04/18/2006	04/18/2015	Common Stock	5,711
2005 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 17.51					04/18/2006	04/18/2015	Common Stock	78,389
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 16.02					04/24/2007	04/24/2016	Common Stock	6,242

2006
 (NQ) \$ 16.02
 Stock
 Option

04/24/2007 04/24/2016 Common Stock 97,658

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DAVIS CLAUDE E 255 E FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Hope M.
 Elliott, POA

03/21/2014

**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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan effective May 30, 2013.

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