

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/  
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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)  
12/19/2014

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)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/19/2014		X		2,582	A	\$ 18.42
Common Stock	12/19/2014		X		193	A	\$ 18.42
Common Stock					580,1709	I	401-k
Common Stock					57,257	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
2005 (NQ) Sock Option	\$ 17.51	12/19/2014		F	75,807	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock 75,807
2005 (NQ) Sock Option	\$ 17.51	12/19/2014		X	2,582	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock 2,582
2005 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.51	12/19/2014		F	5,518	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock 5,518
2005 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.51	12/19/2014		X	193	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock 193
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 16.02					04/24/2007 04/24/2016	Common Stock 6,242
2006 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 16.02					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/ Billie L.  
Meents, POA

12/22/2014

\_\_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).

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