

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/

Form 5

February 10, 2016

FORM 5**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
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1(b).Form 3 Holdings
Reported

Form 4

Transactions

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL
OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
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response... 1.01. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LEFFERSON C DOUGLAS

(Last) (First) (Middle)

255 EAST FIFTH
STREET, SUITE 2900

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP
/OH/ [FFBC]3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended
(Month/Day/Year)
12/31/20154. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
President - Community Banking

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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Person**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	40,679	D	Â
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	16,858.2799	I	401-k
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	24,227	I	Restricted Award
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â Â Â	7,587	I	Restricted-P

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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)	8
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2005 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 17.51	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock	0 ⁽¹⁾
2005 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 17.51	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/18/2006 04/18/2015	Common Stock	0 ⁽¹⁾
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 16.02	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/24/2007 04/24/2016	Common Stock	6,242
2006 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 16.02	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/24/2007 04/24/2016	Common Stock	19,258
2007 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 14.9	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/30/2008 04/30/2017	Common Stock	6,711
2007 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 14.9	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	04/30/2008 04/30/2017	Common Stock	21,489
2008 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 11.64	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	02/14/2009 04/14/2018	Common Stock	38,409

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEFFERSON C DOUGLAS 255 EAST FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	^	^	^ President - Community Banking	^

Signatures

/s/ Billie L. Meents, POA 02/10/2016

__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) Options expired 4/18/2015.

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