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Form 4

October 09, 2002

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Marcum, Stephen S.
 P.O. Box 747
 Hamilton, OH 45012
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
 275-42-1219
4. Statement for Month/Year
 10/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amou Secu Bene Owne End Mont
		Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price
Common Stock						24410
Common Stock						12128.9
Common Stock						0
Common Stock						0
Common Stock						0
Common Stock						0
Common Stock						11395
Common Stock						9853
Common Stock						9853
Common Stock						9726
Common Stock						36894
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)	10/07/2002 P			140	A	\$18.2500 2102

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.

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Title of Derivative Security	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code	Acquired (A) / Disposed (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	
							Number of Securities	Amount or Number of Shares
1999 (NQ) Stock Option	\$20.671				04/27/2009		Common Stock	
1996 (NQ) Stock Option	\$10.8941				04/23/2006		Common Stock	
2002 (NQ) Stock Option	\$18.84				04/23/2012		Common Stock	

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE

10/07/2002