#### ANDERSON JAMES M

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## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANDERSON JAMES M			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)  255 EAST 5T 2900	(First) H STREET,	(Middle) SUITE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2018	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer		
CINCINNATI	(Street)	,	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities A	cquired, Dispose	d of, or Benefi	icially 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 Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	33,691	A	<u>(1)</u>	33,691	D	
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	15,841	A	(1)	15,841	I	By 401-K
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	405	A	(1)	405	I	As UTMA Custodian for Daughter
Common Stock	04/01/2018		A	592	A	(1)	592	I	As UTMA Custodian for Son

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Common Stock	04/02/2018	A	4,680	A	\$0	4,680	I	Restricted Stock
Common Stock	04/02/2018	A	1,560	A	\$0	1,560	I	Restricted-P

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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
Employee Stock Option (ISO) Right To Buy	\$ 9.86	04/01/2018		A	3,560	12/31/2016	04/10/2023	Common Stock	3,560
Employee Stock Option (ISO) Right To Buy	\$ 11.59	04/01/2018		A	5,225	12/31/2017	02/03/2024	Common Stock	5,225

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<b>FB</b>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ANDERSON JAMES M			Chief				
255 EAST 5TH STREET, SUITE 2900			Financial				
CINCINNATI, OH 45202			Officer				

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## **Signatures**

/s/ Billie L. Meents, POA

04/03/2018

\*\*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).

Received pursuant to the merger agreement between First Financial Bancorp. ("First Financial") and MainSource Financial Group, Inc. ("MainSource"), dated July 25, 2017 (the "Merger Agreement"), pursuant to which MainSource was merged with and into First Financial on April 1, 2018 (the "Effective Time"). Pursuant to the Merger Agreement, as of the Effective Time, (i) each issued and outstanding share of MainSource's common stock converted into the right to receive 1.3875 shares of First Financial common stock and cash in lieu

- (1) of fractional shares (the "Merger Consideration"), and (ii) each outstanding restricted share and each outstanding performance share unit fully vested and was cancelled and converted automatically into the right to receive the Merger Consideration in respect of each share of MainSource's common stock underlying such award, less applicable tax withholdings. On the trading day immediately preceding Effective Date, the closing price of MainSource's common stock was \$40.65 per share and the closing price of First Financial's common stock was \$29.35 per share.
- Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 2566 shares of MainSource common stock for \$9.86 per share
- (3) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 10,287 shares of MainSource common stock for \$11.59 per share.

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