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Form 4

October 09, 2002

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Fiora, Carl R.
 4645 Wicklow Drive
 Middletown, OH 45042
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
 268-30-6392
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 Owe End Mont		
			Code	V	Amount	A/D	Price	
Common Stock								16315
Common Stock								3017
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. Title of Derivative Security	2. Deriv- ative Security	3. Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	4. Transac- tion Code	5. Acquired (A) Disposed (D)	6. Number of Derivative Securities	7. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities or Number of Shares
1999 (NQ) Stock Option	\$20.671					04/27/2009	Common Stock
1996 (NQ)	\$10.8933					04/23/2006	Common

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Stock Option
2002 (NQ) \$18.84
Stock Option

04/23/2012
Stock
Common
Stock

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE

10/07/2002