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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ach J Wickliffe

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP

(Check all applicable)

/OH/ [FFBC]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2013

255 EAST FIFTH STREET, SUITE

(Street)

2900

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)
Common Stock	05/25/2013		Code V D	Amount 1,270 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 15.83	0	I	Restricted
Common Stock	05/25/2013		A	1,270 (1)	A	\$ 15.83	7,935	D	
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)							2,715	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	of		
				Codo V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ach J Wickliffe 255 EAST FIFTH STREET SUITE 2900 CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X					

Signatures

/s/Terri J 05/28/2013 Ziepfel, POA **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Vesting of Restricted Stock Award

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