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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

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

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BARBERCHECK RICHARD S

BARBERCHECK RICHARD S			Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 4000 SMITH RD., SUITE 400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2010					Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & CCO			
(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			
CINCINNATI, OH 45209								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ble I - Non-	Derivativ	e Seci	urities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	saction Date 2A. Deemed /Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				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	12/13/2010			S	3,975	D	\$ 18.6533 (1)	2,604	D		
Common Stock								284.2	I	401k	
Common Stock								14,150	I	Restricted	

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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)	Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date any Code of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)				te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secun (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 16.02					04/24/2007	04/24/2016	Common Stock	6,242	
2006 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 16.02					04/24/2007	04/24/2016	Common Stock	6,858	
2007 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 14.9					04/30/2008	04/30/2017	Common Stock	6,711	
2007 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 14.9					04/30/2008	04/30/2017	Common Stock	9,489	
2008 (ISO) Stock Option	\$ 11.64					02/14/2009	02/14/2018	Common Stock	8,591	
2008 (NQ) Stock Option	\$ 11.64					02/14/2009	02/14/2018	Common Stock	36,909	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARBERCHECK RICHARD S 4000 SMITH RD. SUITE 400 CINCINNATI, OH 45209

EVP & CCO

Signatures

/s/Terri J 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) Average Price (Detailed transactions: 1,218 shares @ \$18.71, 1,200 shares @ 18.60, 700 shares @ 18.67, 412 shares @ 18.63, 300 shares @ 18.62, 100 shares @ 18.70, 45 shares @ 18.61)

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