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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Rahe Maribeth S	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 201 E. 4TH STREET, SUITE 2000	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/27/2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(CheckApplicable Line)_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CINCINNATI, OH 45202		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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(City)	(State) (2	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/27/2010		P	3,785	A	\$ 0 (2)	3,785	D (1)		
Common Stock							1,232	I	Restricted	
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)							220	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 Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	4, and 5)		•	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Othe

Rahe Maribeth S
201 E. 4TH STREET, SUITE 2000 X
CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Signatures

/s/Terri J Ziepfel, POA 08/30/2010

**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) Held in Charles Schwab Brokerage Account
- (2) 100 shares @ \$15.809, 100 shares @ \$15.81, 200 shares @ \$15.8166, 100 shares @ \$15.8194, 500 shares @ \$15.82, 2785 shares @ \$15.83

Remarks:

Appointed to Board of Directors 05/25/10

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