SCHIFF JOHN J JR

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

SCHIFF JOHN J JR

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| | | | CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP [CINF] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|--------------|---|----|-------------|---------------|------------------|---|--|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2012 | | | | | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of Executive Comm | | | |
| (Street) FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141 | | | 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 | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | ally Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea | r) Execution | | 3. | actio 8) | | ies Ac sposed | quired of | 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 | 01/17/2012 | | | G | V | 84,776 (1) | D | \$0 | 1,701,595 | I | Charitable Lead Annuity Trust |
| Common Stock | 02/17/2012 | | | G | V | 28,938 | D | \$0 | 3,303,140 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 2,045 (2) | I | By 401(k) |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 124,249 | I | By Schiff Agency |

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| Common Stock | 107,186 | I | By Schiff Agency Pension Plan |
|--|-------------------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 563,633 | I | By Spouse |
| Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly | ly 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. Transaction 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 A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amoun or Number of Share |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 35.63 | 02/17/2012 | | A | 4,210 | 02/17/2013(3) | 02/17/2022 | Common Stock | 4,210 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 02/17/2012 | | A | 5,263 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Common Stock | 5,263 |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 0 | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | <u>(5)</u> | Common Stock | 15,10 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| SCHIFF JOHN J JR 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141 | X | | Chairman of Executive Comm | | | |

2 Reporting Owners

Signatures

/s/ John J. 02/21/2012 Schiff, Jr.

**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).
- (1) Shares are gifted quarterly from the Charitable Lead Annuity Trust.
- (2) The reported stock was acquired under the company's 401(k) plan. The reporting person may transfer the value of his shares into an alternative investment selection within the plan.
- (3) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest March 1, 2015 as set forth in the grant agreement, if performance goals are met. The number of restricted stock units shown is the maximum number of such units that may vest.
- The reported phantom stock units were acquired under the company's top hat savings plan, an "Excess Benefits Plan" within the meaning (5) of Rule 16b-3(b)(2), and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service. The reporting person may transfer the value of his phantom stock units into an alternative investment selection within the plan.

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