

SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR

Form 4

March 17, 2005

FORM 4**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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45263

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

03/15/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

President & CEO

6. 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 (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	03/15/2005		J(1)(3)	2,732 D (1)	62,179	I	by Trusts (3)
Common Stock	03/15/2005		J(1)(3)	2,732 A (1)	679,241.6918	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2005		J(1)(4)	2,732 D (1)	62,179	I	by Trusts (4)
Common Stock	03/15/2005		J(1)(4)	2,732 A (1)	39,243	I	by Spouse
Common Stock	03/16/2005		J(2)(3)	420 D (2)	61,759	I	by Trusts (3)
	03/16/2005		J(2)(4)	420 D (2)	61,759	I	

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Common Stock			by Trusts ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock	1,382.6524	I	by 401(K)
Common Stock	240,000	I	by FLP ⁽⁵⁾

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 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 of 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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA CINCINNATI, OH 45263	X President & CEO

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact for George A. Schaefer, Jr.

03/17/2005

 **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).

The reporting person and his spouse have each established a series of Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts (GRATs) in connection with their tax and estate planning. On March 15, 2005 those GRATs transferred shares back to the reporting person and his spouse in an annuity payment.

- (1) On March 16, 2005 one GRAT of which the Reporting person is a beneficiary and one GRAT of which the Reporting person's spouse is a beneficiary each transferred its remaining shares to the holders of the GRAT's remainder interests on such GRAT's expiration.
- (2) Transfer from various GRATs of which the Reporting person is a beneficiary.
- (3) Transfer from various GRATs of which the Reporting person's spouse is a beneficiary.
- (4) A family limited partnership of which the reporting person and his spouse are the only partners.

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