FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/
Form 4/A
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
IMMELT MARK W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

371 HEATHWOOD

(Street)

HAMILTON, OH 45013

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
FIRST FINANCIAL BANCORP /OH/ [FFBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/24/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
05/01/2006

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP-Wealth Resource Group

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	06/29/2006		J(1)		128.8311	A	$ 0	34,405.8311	D	
Common Stock								2,642.4139	I	401-K
Common Stock	06/29/2006		J(2)		3,900	D	$ 0	9,025	I	Restricted

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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
1997 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 11.1342							01/28/1997	01/28/2007	Common Stock	1,640	
1998 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 19.087							01/27/1998	01/27/2008	Common Stock	5,238	
1998 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 19.087							01/27/1998	01/27/2008	Common Stock	7,468	
1999 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 19.1017							01/25/1999	01/25/2009	Common Stock	4,201	
1999 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 19.1017							01/25/1999	01/25/2009	Common Stock	13,124	
2000 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 17.56							01/24/2001	01/24/2010	Common Stock	5,694	
2000 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 17.56							01/24/2001	01/24/2010	Common Stock	28,116	
	$ 16.0124							01/22/2002	01/22/2011		6,244	

2001 (ISO) Stock Option							Common Stock		
2001 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 16.0124				01/22/2002	01/22/2011	Common Stock	4,256	
2002 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 17.2				01/17/2003	01/17/2012	Common Stock	5,813	
2002 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 17.2				01/17/2003	01/17/2012	Common Stock	4,187	
2003 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 16.58				01/22/2004	01/22/2013	Common Stock	6,031	
2003 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 16.58				01/22/2004	01/22/2013	Common Stock	3,969	
2004 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 17.09				01/21/2005	01/21/2014	Common Stock	2,500	
2005 (NQ) Sock Option	$ 17.51				04/18/2006	04/18/2015	Common Stock	16,089	
2006 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 16.02	04/24/2006	A(2)	0	04/24/2007	04/24/2016	Common Stock	0	$ 1
2006 (NQ) Stock Option	$ 16.02	04/24/2006	A(2)	0	04/24/2007	04/24/2016	Common Stock	0	$ 1
2005 (ISO) Stock Option	$ 17.51				04/18/2006	04/18/2015	Common Stock	5,711	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
IMMELT MARK W 371 HEATHWOOD HAMILTON, OH 45013			EVP-Wealth Resource Group	

Signatures

Terri J. Ziepfel	06/29/2006
**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).
(2)	Reversal of option and/or award granted 04/24/06 due to announcement of retirement as of 12/31/06.
(1)	Update per Statement

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