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Form 4

October 09, 2002

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person  
Thatcher, Perry D.  
7 Gardner Place  
Middletown, OH 45042
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)  
269-26-4883
4. Statement for Month/Year  
10/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)
7. 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	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code  V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amou Secu Bene Owe End Mont
			Amount	A/D	Price	
Common Stock						5163
Common Stock						5613
Common Stock						151,496
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)	10/07/2002 P		140	A	\$18.2500	2102

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Deriv- ative Security	3. Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	4. Transac- tion Code  V	5. Disposed (D)   (A)	6. Acquired (A)   (D) Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities   Amount or Number of Shares	8. P D S
1997 (NQ)	\$13.148				04/22/2007	Common	

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Stock Option  
2000 (NQ) \$16.9048  
Stock Option

04/25/2010  
Stock  
Common  
Stock

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE

10/07/2002