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Form 4

January 07, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Knapke, Murph
P.O. Box 504
Celina, OH 45822
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
279-42-9757
4. Statement for Month/Day/Year
01/06/2003
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)	2A.Execu- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Amount A/D	5. Price	5. Amount Owned Report Transa
Common Stock FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)	01/06/2003		P	145	A \$17.0985	2021 2247

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

1. Title of Security	2. Deriv- ative Price of	3. (Month/ Day/ Year)	3A. (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Transac- tion Code	5. Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	6. Number of Derivative Securities (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares
2000 (NQ) Stock Option	\$16.9048						04/25/2010	Common Stock

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Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE
01/07/2003