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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)
(X) Director () 10% Owner
() Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(X) 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)	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow Report Transa
Common Stock					2021
FFBC (Directors Fee Stock Plan)	01/06/2003		P	145	A \$17.0985 2247

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

1.	2.	3.	3A.	4.	5.	6.	7.
							Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of	Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execu- tion Date (Month/ Day/ Year)		Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Amount or Number of Shares
Title of Derivative Security	Deriv- ative Security	(Month/ Day/ Year)	(Month/ Day/ Year)	Code V (A) (D)	(A) (D)	Exer- tion Date	Expira- tion Date
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