

TRAYLOR THOMAS W  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
TRAYLOR THOMAS W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/16/2006

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

CINCINNATI, OH 45263

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/16/2006		M	1,533 A \$ 18.7611	255,448	D	
Common Stock	03/16/2006		S	1,533 D \$ 39.44	253,915	D	

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)**

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase	\$ 18.7611	03/16/2006		M	1,533	04/17/1996 <sup>(1)</sup> 04/17/2006	Common Stock	1,533

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TRAYLOR THOMAS W 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA CINCINNATI, OH 45263		X		

## Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas W. Traylor  
 03/20/2006

\_\_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).
- (1) Indicates grant date. Options are exercisable as follows: 25% on grant date; 50% one year from grant; 75% two years from grant; and 100% three years from grant.
- (2) Issued pursuant to Fifth Third Bancorp stock option plan. No consideration paid.
- (3) Includes total number of unexercised option grants previously reported.

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