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Form 4

January 07, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Finnerty, Corinne R.
 P.O. Box 90
 North Vernon, IN 47265
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
 309-64-9714
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) Code V Amount A/D Price	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow Report Transa
Common Stock					317
Common Stock					20086
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 of Derivative Security	Deriv- ative Security	(Month/ Day/ Year)	(Month/ Day/ Year)	Transac- tion Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exer- cisable (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares
1998 (NQ) Stock	\$21.5958					04/28/2008	Common Stock

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Option
2001 (NQ) \$15.6
Stock
Option

04/24/2011 Common
Stock

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE
01/07/2003