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 Form 4
 January 07, 2003

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
 Alderson, Richard L.
 8222 Lesourdsville-West Chester Road
 West Chester, OH 45069
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 First Financial Bancorp (FFBC)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
 302-46-4297
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)	5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow Report Transa
			Code V	Amount A/D Price	
Common Stock					677
Common Stock					3950
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.
	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of	Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Execu- tion Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed (D)	Date Exercis- able and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares
1997 (NQ) Stock	\$12.4623					04/22/2007	Common Stock

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Option
2000 (NQ) \$16.9048
Stock
Option

05/25/2010 Common
Stock

Explanation of Responses:

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/ Terri J. Ziepfel

DATE
01/07/2003