

FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC
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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 *
 LOLA BROWN TRUST 1B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC
 [FF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1680 38TH STREET STE 800
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/07/2004

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

BOULDER, CO 80301

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	12/07/2004		S	2,600 D \$ 23.06	2,466,300	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	12/07/2004		S	500 D \$ 23.13	2,465,800	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	12/08/2004		S	600 D \$ 23.06	2,465,200 ⁽²⁾	D ⁽¹⁾	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- The trustees of the Lola Brown Trust No. 1B (the "Brown Trust") are Badlands Trust Company ("Badlands"), Susan L. Ciciora and Larry Dunlap. Such trustees may be deemed to control the Brown Trust and may be deemed to possess indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares held by the Brown Trust. However, none of the trustees, acting alone, can vote or exercise dispositive authority over Shares held by the Brown Trust. Accordingly, Badlands, Ms. Ciciora and Mr. Dunlap disclaim beneficial ownership of the Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the Brown Trust. In addition to serving as a trustee, Ms. Ciciora is also a beneficiary of the Brown Trust. As a result of his advisory role with the Brown Trust, Stewart R. Horejsi may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially owned by the Brown Trust. However, Mr. Horejsi disclaims such beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially held by the Brown Trust.
- (1)
- (2) Trusts affiliated with the Brown Trust, including the Ernest Horejsi Trust No. 1B, the Mildred B. Horejsi Trust, the Susan L. Ciciora Trust, and the Stewart R. Horejsi Trust No. 2, own an aggregate of 9,240,400 Shares of the Fund following these transactions.

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