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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 *
 Vereecke Jeffrey D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP [FDEF]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 601 CLINTON STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/29/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 See Remarks

DEFIANCE, OH 43512
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Shares	03/29/2013		A	288 ⁽¹⁾	A \$ 0	20,137 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Shares						17,336	I	Held by ESOP
Common Shares						2,673 ⁽³⁾	I	Held with minor children

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)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Vereecke Jeffrey D 601 CLINTON STREET DEFIANCE, OH 43512			See Remarks	

Signatures

/s/ Jeffery D. Vereecke by William J. Small, P.O.A. 03/29/2013

**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) Award of shares pursuant to 2011 Long-Term Incentive Award Agreement under the First Defiance Financial Corp. 2010 Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) The ending balance differs from amounts previously reported because of shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan and an employee stock purchase plan.
- (3) The ending balance differs from amounts previously reported because of shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan.

Remarks:

President, First Federal Bank of the Midwest's Northern Market Area

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