FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ERNEST HOREJSI TRUST NO 1B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

FIRST FINANCIAL FUND INC

[FF]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

below)

10% Owner Other (specify

3601 C STREET, STE 600 (Street)

(State)

09/30/2005

(First)

09/29/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

Officer (give title

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ANCHORAGE, AK 99503

| 1.Title of | 2. Transaction Date | 2A. Deemed | 3. | 4. Securi | ties A | cquired | 5. Amount of | 6. Ownership | 7. Nature of |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|---------------------|-----------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | on(A) or D | ispose | d of (D) | Securities | Form: Direct | Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | | | | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | (4) | | Reported | | |
| | | | | | (A) | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| C | | | Code v | Amount | (D) | | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/29/2005 | | S | 2,700 | D | \$ 19.47 | 1,673,300 | D (1) | |
| Common | 00/20/2005 | | C | 1 400 | ъ | \$ | 1 (71 000 (2) | D (1) | |

1,400

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

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1,671,900 (2) D (1)

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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | | 7. Tit | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|--------|------------|-------------|---------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | onNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | int of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Unde | rlying | Security | Secui |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | rities | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
| | Derivative | | • | | Securities | | | (Instr | . 3 and 4) | | Own |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | Follo |
| | , | | | | (A) or | | | | | | Repo |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | Trans |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | (221012 |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | +, and <i>∃</i>) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | . | . | | or | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | Title | Number | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable Date | | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ERNEST HOREJSI TRUST NO 1B 3601 C STREET, STE 600 ANCHORAGE, AK 99503 | | X | | | | | |
| HOREJSI STEWART R 200 SOUTH SANTA FE SALINA, KS 67401 | | X | | | | | |
| CICIORA SUSAN L 1680 38TH STREET, STE 800 BOULDER, CO 80301 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

| Trust No. 1B | adiands Trust Company, LLC, trustee of the Ernest Horejsi | 10/03/2005 |
|--------------------|---|------------|
| | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| Stewart R. Horejsi | | 10/03/2005 |
| | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
| Susan L. Ciciora | | 10/03/2005 |
| | **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

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- * 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) The trustees of the Ernest Horejsi Trust No. 1B (the "Ernest Trust") are Badlands Trust Company ("Badlands"), Susan L. Ciciora and Larry Dunlap. Such trustees may be deemed to control the Ernest Trust and may be deemed to possess indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares held by the Ernest Trust. However, none of the trustees, acting alone, can vote or exercise dispositive authority over Shares

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held by the Ernest Trust. Accordingly, Badlands, Ms. Ciciora and Mr. Dunlap disclaim beneficial ownership of the Shares beneficially owned, directly or indirectly, by the Ernest Trust. In addition to serving as a trustee, Ms. Ciciora is also a beneficiary of the Ernest Trust. As a result of his advisory role with the Ernest Trust, Stewart R. Horejsi may be deemed to have indirect beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially owned by the Ernest Trust. However, Mr. Horejsi disclaims such beneficial ownership of the Shares directly beneficially held by the Ernest Trust.

(2) Trusts affiliated with the Ernest Trust, including the Lola Brown 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 9,000,300 Shares of the Fund following these transactions.

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