LOLA BROWN TRUST 1B

Form 4

November 23, 2004

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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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)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director X__ 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

1680 38TH STREET STE 800

(Zip)

11/19/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

below)

Person

Form filed by One Reporting Person

X Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOULDER, CO 80301

(City)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Cransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Instr. 8)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	11/19/2004		S	200	D	\$ 22.6	2,525,800	D (1)	
Common Stock	11/19/2004		S	4,000	D	\$ 22.55	2,521,800	D (1)	
Common Stock	11/22/2004		S	4,600	D	\$ 22.47	2,517,200	D (1)	
Common Stock	11/22/2004		S	200	D	\$ 22.48	2,517,000 (2)	D (1)	

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)

 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	Date Exercise	cisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amount of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlying	g Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative				Securities	S		(Instr. 3 and	d 4)
	Security				Acquired				
					(A) or				
					Disposed				
					of (D)				
					(Instr. 3,				
					4, and 5)				
								Amo	ount
						_		or	
						Date	Expiration	Title Num	nber
						Exercisable	Date	of	
				Code V	(A) (D)			Shar	res

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LOLA BROWN TRUST 1B 1680 38TH STREET STE 800 BOULDER, CO 80301		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

Stephen C. Miller, Vice President No. 1B	, Badlands Trust Company, trustee of the Lola Brown Trust	11/23/2004
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Stewart R. Horejsi		11/23/2004
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
Susan L. Ciciora		11/23/2004
	**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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.
- (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 9,292,200 Shares of the Fund following these transactions.

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