

POPPLEWELL DAVID H
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FORM 4

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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 *
POPPLEWELL DAVID H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CINCINNATI FINANCIAL CORP
[CINF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/06/2012

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
President - Subsidiary

FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | M | 8,000 A \$ 26.59 | 54,772 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | M | 16,538 A \$ 32.45 | 71,310 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | F | 23,729 D \$ 39.11 | 47,581 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/06/2012 | | M | 3,812 A \$ 26.58 | 51,393 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 7,434 ⁽¹⁾ | I | By 401(k) Plan |

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.59 | 09/06/2012 | | M | 8,000 | 11/14/2009 ⁽²⁾ 11/14/2018 | Common Stock | 8,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 32.45 | 09/06/2012 | | M | 16,538 | 02/01/2003 ⁽²⁾ 02/01/2013 | Common Stock | 16,538 |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 26.58 | 09/06/2012 | | M | 3,812 | 02/19/2011 ⁽²⁾ 02/19/2020 | Common Stock | 3,812 |
| Phantom Stock Shares | \$ 0 | | | | | ⁽³⁾ ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 8,632 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| POPPELWELL DAVID H 6200 SOUTH GILMORE RD FAIRFIELD, OH 45014-5141 | | | President - Subsidiary | |

Signatures

David H
Poplewell

09/10/2012

__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) The reported stock was acquired under the company's 401(k) plan. The reporting person may transfer the value of his shares into an alternative investment selection within the plan.
 - (2) The option vests in three annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

- The reported phantom stock shares were acquired under the company's top hat savings plan, an "Excess Benefits Plan" within the
- (3) meaning of Rule 16b-3(b)(2), and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service. The reporting person may transfer the value of his phantom stock shares into an alternative investment selection within the plan.

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