

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 24, 2014

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 21, 2014

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO                                      0-26850                                      34-1803915  
(State or other jurisdiction of      (Commission File No.)      (IRS Employer I.D. No.)  
incorporation)

601 Clinton Street, Defiance, Ohio 43512  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (419) 782-5015

Not Applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Section 5 – Corporate Governance and Management.**

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

On July 21, 2014, the Board of Directors of First Defiance Financial Corp. (“FDEF”) elected Charles D. Niehaus to the Board of Directors to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Thomas A. Voigt. Mr. Niehaus will serve will serve on the Board until FDEF’s annual meeting of shareholders in 2017, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified.

Mr. Niehaus has been appointed to the Corporate Governance Committee of FDEF. A copy of the press release announcing his election is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

**Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
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99.1	Press Release dated July 22, 2014
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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

FIRST DEFIANCE  
FINANCIAL CORP.

By: /s/ Kevin T. Thompson  
Kevin T. Thompson  
Chief Financial Officer

Date: July 24, 2014