

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP

Form 8-K

October 17, 2017

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): October 16, 2017

FIRST DEFIANCE FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OHIO

0-26850

34-1803915

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

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

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405) of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company “

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. “

Section 2 – Financial Information.

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 16, 2017, First Defiance Financial Corp. (“FDEF”) issued a press release regarding its earnings for the quarter ended September 30, 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Section 8 – Other Events.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 16, 2017, the FDEF Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.25 per common share payable on November 17, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business on November 10, 2017. A copy of the press release 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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<u>99.1</u>	<u>Press Release dated October 16, 2017</u>
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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: October 16, 2017