

SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA

(Street)

CINCINNATI, OH 45263

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FIFTH THIRD BANCORP [FITB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 10/20/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	10/20/2004		S ⁽¹⁾		32,000	D	\$ 49
Common Stock					667,578.1888	D	⁽²⁾
Common Stock					240,000	I	by FLP ⁽³⁾
Common Stock					101,422	I	by Trust ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock					101,422	I	by Trusts ⁽⁵⁾
Common Stock					1,202.746	I	⁽⁶⁾ 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHAEFER GEORGE A JR 38 FOUNTAIN SQUARE PLAZA CINCINNATI, OH 45263	X		President & CEO	

Signatures

Paul L. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact for George A. Schaefer, Jr. 10/22/2004

**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 sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on September 2, 2004.
- (2) Includes 2 shares acquired pursuant to dividend reinvestments since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.
- (3) A family limited partnership of which the reporting person and his spouse are the only partners.
- (4) Various Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts of which reporting person is a beneficiary.
- (5) Various Grantor Retained Annuity Trusts of which reporting person's spouse is a beneficiary.
- (6) Includes 6.3883 shares acquired pursuant to dividend reinvestments since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

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