

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
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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 *
BRANNEN JAMES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [FFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/17/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Vice President - Finance

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	01/17/2005		A	1,708 A \$ 0	3,489	D	
Class A Common Stock					4,019.368	I	by Trust

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)
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	01/17/2005		A	4,685	01/17/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 01/17/2015	Class A Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.35	01/17/2005		A	496	01/17/2006 ⁽¹⁾ 01/17/2015	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BRANNEN JAMES 5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266			Vice President - Finance	

Signatures

James Patrick
Brannen 01/19/2005

**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) Shares become exercisable annually, beginning one year from the date of grant, pro-rata during a five year period, subject to compliance with annual dollar limits for incentive stock option grants.

Remarks:

Reporting person holds 4,019.368 shares in a company sponsored 401(k) plan. Ownership form is Indirect and the nature of the

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