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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RAU JOHN                                                                                                                     |                                                                                  |    |            | FI                                   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST INC [FR] |                                                             |                                            |                                                          |                                                                           |                                     |                     |                                                                    |   |                                    | tionship of Reportin<br>all applicable)<br>Director<br>Officer (give title                                                                         |                                                                                                                         | 10% O                                                                     |             | Owner                                                              |          |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 311 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE SUITE 4000                                                                                                              |                                                                                  |    |            |                                      |                                                                                           | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/06/2006 |                                            |                                                          |                                                                           |                                     |                     |                                                                    |   |                                    |                                                                                                                                                    | belov                                                                                                                   |                                                                           |             | elow)                                                              | (specify |
| (Street) CHICAGO IL 60606  (City) (State) (Zip)                                                                                                                        |                                                                                  |    |            |                                      | 4. If                                                                                     | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |                                            |                                                          |                                                                           |                                     |                     |                                                                    |   |                                    | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |                                                                                                                         |                                                                           |             |                                                                    |          |
|                                                                                                                                                                        | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |    |            |                                      |                                                                                           |                                                             |                                            |                                                          |                                                                           |                                     |                     |                                                                    |   |                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                           |             |                                                                    |          |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D                                                                                                               |                                                                                  |    |            |                                      |                                                                                           | Exe<br>Day/Year) if ar                                      |                                            | A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>f any<br>Month/Day/Year) |                                                                           | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. 5) |                     | ities Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3,                          |   |                                    | 4 and S                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported |             | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  |          |
|                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                  |    |            |                                      |                                                                                           |                                                             | Code                                       | v                                                        | Amount                                                                    | (,                                  | A) or<br>D)         | Price                                                              | . | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                         |                                                                           | (Instr. 4)  |                                                                    |          |
| Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 10/06.                                                                                                                         |                                                                                  |    |            |                                      |                                                                                           |                                                             |                                            |                                                          | A                                                                         |                                     | 114(1               | ) A                                                                |   | (2)                                | (2)                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                         | 9,435                                                                     | D           |                                                                    |          |
|                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                  | Та | ble II - D |                                      |                                                                                           |                                                             |                                            |                                                          |                                                                           |                                     | sed of,<br>onvertib |                                                                    |   |                                    | y Ov                                                                                                                                               | vned                                                                                                                    |                                                                           |             |                                                                    |          |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day) |                                                                                  |    | Date,      | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr. 8) |                                                                                           |                                                             | rative<br>rities<br>ired<br>r<br>osed<br>) | Expiration (Month/I                                      | Date Exercisable an Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date |                                     |                     | Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) |   |                                    | ice of<br>vative<br>urity<br>r. 5)                                                                                                                 | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | Owner<br>Form:<br>Direct<br>or Indi<br>(I) (Ins                           | (D)<br>rect | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |          |

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares granted under FR's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan. Such shares vest on January 31, 2011.
- 2. No figure applicable.

/s/ John H. Clayton, attorney-

10/06/2006

<u>in-fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints John H. Clayton, Sherri L. Boyle and Scott A. Musil, and each of them (with full power to each of them to act alone), his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign Forms ID or any comparable form subsequently adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any amendments thereto, and Statements of Changes in Beneficial Ownership on Form 4 and Annual Statements of Changes in Beneficial Ownership on Form 5, or any comparable forms subsequently adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any amendments thereto, with respect to the undersigned's direct or indirect ownership, acquisition, disposition or other transfer of any securities of First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. or any of its affiliates; and to file any of the above forms with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection with such matters, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or any of them, or his substitute or substitutes may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

The powers granted hereby shall be effective on and as of the date hereof and, unless earlier revoked by written instrument, shall continue in effect for so long as the undersigned, in his capacity as an officer and/or director of First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. is subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules promulgated thereunder, as the same may be amended from time to time.

Dated: 8/30/02

/s/ John Rau

Name: John Rau Title: Director