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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup><br>HACKETT H PATRICK JR |         |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST</u><br><u>INC</u> [FR] |                   | tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner |                       |  |
|--|---------|----------|--|-------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>311 S. WACKER DRIVE<br>SUITE 3900                 |         | (Middle) |  |                   | Officer (give title below)   | Other (specify below) |  |
|  |         |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/21/2012   |                   |  |                       |  |
|  |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   | 6. Indiv<br>Line) | vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable                                     |                       |  |
| (Street)<br>CHICAGO  | IL      | 60606    |  | X                 | Form filed by One Rep<br>Form filed by More that<br>Person                         | ů –                   |  |
| (City)   | (State) | (Zip)    |  |                   | reisuii  |                       |  |

#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)                   | Date Execution Date, |  | Code (Instr.     |   |        |               |         | 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) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|----------------------|--|------------------|---|--------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|
|   |                      |  | Code             | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   | (1130.4)  |
| Series J Cumulative Redeemable Preferred<br>Stock | 12/21/2012           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup> |   | 1,033  | D             | \$25.41 | 2,067   | D   |   |

### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| Der<br>Sec | itle of<br>ivative<br>curity<br>str. 3)                | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of E |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/N | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(S)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|            |  |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reported securities were called for redemption by the issuer at a price of \$25.00 per depositary share plus accrued and unpaid dividends to the redemption date of December 21, 2012. **Remarks:** 

#### /s/John W. Lee, attorney-in-fact 12/26/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  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).

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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints John W. Lee 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 re-substitution, 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: August 10, 2012

/s/H. Patrick Hackett, Jr. Name: H. Patrick Hackett, Jr. Title: Director