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## FORM 5

## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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- Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.
   Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
   See Instruction 1(b).
- o Form 3 Holdings Reported
- o Form 4 Transactions Reported

| Name and Address of Reporting<br>Person*                                      | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol                          | 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (Voluntary) |
|---|---|---|
| Downs, Gregory S  | First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc. (FR)                                |   |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)   |   |   |
| c/o First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.<br>311 South Wacker Drive, Suite 4000 | 4. Statement for Month/Year 2002  | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)                                |
| (Street)  | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable) | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)                |
|   | O Director O 10% Owner  |   |
| Chicago, IL 60606   | ○ Officer (give title below)  | O Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                                |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  | O Other (specify below)   |   |
|   | Managing Director   |   |

If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction 4(b)(v).

|    |                                    |    |                                   | -   | Гable I — Non-Do                                     | eriva | ntive Securit                     | ies A | cquired,                                 | Dispo            | sed of, o | r Be | neficially Owned  |    |   |    |  |
|----|------------------------------------|----|-----------------------------------|-----|--|-------|-----------------------------------|-------|--|------------------|-----------|------|---|----|---|----|--|
| 1. | Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. | Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. | Deemed Execution<br>Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.    | Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4.    | Securities<br>or Dispose<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | ed of (D)        | d (A)     | 5.   | Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>at the End of Issuer's<br>Fiscal Year<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. | Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|    |                                    |    |                                   |     |  |       |                                   |       | Amount                                   | (A)<br>or<br>(D) | Price     |      |   |    |   |    |  |
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## Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| Title of Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. |         | Conversion or Exercise<br>Price of Derivative<br>Security | 3.      | Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A.  | Deemed Execution<br>Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. | Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5.     | Number of Derivative Securities<br>Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |  |  |
|---|----|---------|---|---------|--------------------------------------|------|--|----|-----------------------------|--------|---|--|--|
|   |    |         |   |         |                                      |      |  |    |                             | (A)    | (D)   |  |  |
| Employee Stock Option<br>(right to buy)       |    | \$30.53 |   | 1/16/02 |                                      |      |  | A  |                             | 17,200 |   |  |  |
|   |    |         |   |         |                                      |      |  |    |                             |        |   |  |  |
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| 6.  | Date Exercisable<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year |                    | 7.     | Title and Ar<br>Underlying<br>(Instr. 3 and | Securities                       | 8.     | Price of Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9.    | Number of Derivative<br>Securities Beneficially<br>Owned at End of<br>Year<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.      | Ownership of<br>Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 11.      | Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|-----|--|--------------------|--------|---|----------------------------------|--------|---|-------|--|----------|---|----------|--|
|     | Date<br>Exercisable                                    | Expiration<br>Date |        | Title                                       | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |        |   |       |  |          |   |          |  |
|     | (1)  | 1/16/02            |        | Common<br>Stock                             | 17,20                            | 00     | (1)   |       | 17,200   |          | D   |          |  |
|     |  |                    |        |   |                                  |        |   |       |  |          |   |          |  |
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| (1) |  | _                  | ./16/0 | 2 in accord                                 | ance with FF                     | R's 19 | 997 Stock Incentiv                            | e Pla | an and vest in equal amo   | unts or  | the one, two and thre   | e year a | nniversary o   |
|     |  |                    |        | /s/ G                                       | regory S. Do                     | owns   |   |       | 2/3/0  | 03       |   |          |  |
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