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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* DOWNS GREGORY S (Last) (First) (Middle) 311 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE SUITE 4000			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST INC [FR]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to I (Check all applicable) Director 10% (X Officer (give title Other below) below			
		(muule)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2006	Managing Director				
(Street) CHICAGO (City)	IL (State)	60606 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Repor Form filed by More than (Person	ting Person		

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. Transa Code (8)					Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11511 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	03/08/2006		A		9,685 ⁽¹⁾	Α	(2)	41,024 ⁽³⁾	D	

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. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	Expiration Da	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares granted under FR's Stock Incentive Plans. Such shares vest in three equal installments on January 1, 2007, January 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009.

2. No figure applicable.

3. Does not include 638 shares held indirectly by the reporting person through his 401K.

<u>/s/ John H. Clayton, attorney-</u> <u>in-fact</u> <u>03</u>

03/08/2006

** 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).

** 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 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 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: 9/11/02

/s/ Gregory Downs Name: Gregory Downs Title: Managing Director