FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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DRAFT DA			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST INC [FR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)							
(Last) (First) 311 SOUTH WACKER DRIVE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2004	Exec. VP - Operations							
SUITE 4000											
(Street)	TL.	60606	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							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
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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)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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)		(11150.4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		M		34,200	A	\$33.125	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		S		34,200	D	\$37.95	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		M		200	A	\$30.53	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		S		200	D	\$37.99	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		М		200	A	\$30.53	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		S		200	D	\$37.98	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		М		14,300	A	\$30.53	72,495	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	02/25/2004		S		14,300	D	\$37.95	72,495	D		

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

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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)		n of E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$33.125	02/25/2004		М			34,200	01/23/2004	01/23/2011	common stock	34,200	(1)	0	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$30.53	02/25/2004		M			14,700	01/16/2004	01/16/2012	common stock	14,700	(1)	14,700	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. No figure applicable.

/s/ John H. Clayton, attorney in

02/26/2004

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** 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 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: 9/6/02

/s/ David P. Draft -----Name: David P. Draft

Title: Executive Vice President of

Operations