

FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRANNEN JAMES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
FBL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [FFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
CFO & Chief Admin Officer

WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Class A Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/17/2009		A	573	A	\$ 0	5,642	D	
Class A Common Stock ⁽²⁾	02/17/2009		F	129	D	\$ 6.66	5,513	D	
Class A Common Stock							8,234.42	I	by Trust ⁽³⁾

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRANNEN JAMES
5400 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
WEST DES MOINES, IA 50266

CFO & Chief Admin Officer

Signatures

By: Robert Simons, per filed confirming stmt For: James Patrick Brannen

02/19/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

On January 16, 2006 the reporting person was granted performance based restricted stock with performance criteria related to earnings per share to be achieved by the Company in 2008 and return on equity to be achieved by the Company from 2006 through 2008. The

- (1) Management Development and Compensation Committee on February 17, 2009 confirmed that the performance criteria were partially met, which resulted in vesting on that date of the number of shares of restricted stock reported herein, and forfeiture of the remainder of the original grant.
- (2) Shares withheld were for payment of taxes.
- (3) Reporting person holds 8,234.420 shares in a company sponsored 401(k) plan. Ownership form is indirect and the nature of the indirect beneficial ownership is by Trust.

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