### FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC

Form 4

February 27, 2015

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1 Name and Address of Departing Da

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BIRMINGHAM MARTIN KEARNEY			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC [FISI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 220 LIBERTY STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2015					Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO				
WARSAW,	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned												
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitin(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	posed	of	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	02/25/2015			A	16,886	A	\$0	65,684	D			
Common Stock								8,140 (1)	I	Held in 401K Plan		
Common Stock								7,500	I	Held in IRA		
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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BIRMINGHAM MARTIN KEARNEY 220 LIBERTY STREET WARSAW, NY 14569

President & CEO

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael D. Grover, by power of attorney

02/27/2015

\*\*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).
- (1) Includes 1 share disposed under the FISI 401(k) plan since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

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