OATES JAMES M

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A OATES JAI	Address of Reporting MES M	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) 534 LAKE S BOX 250	(First) (N	(Month/l	f Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 010	_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner or (specify		
	(Street)		endment, Date Origina nth/Day/Year)	.1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ELKINS, N	H 03233				Form filed by M Person	Iore than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securir Transaction(A) or Di Code (Instr. 3, (Instr. 8)	(A) or	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	08/27/2010		S 11,000	D \$ 45.54	56,678	D		
Common Stock					684	I	by Spouse	

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0					<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	16,007	
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 13.48					(3)	01/03/2015	Common Stock	1,200	
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 25.5					<u>(4)</u>	01/03/2016	Common Stock	1,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
OATES JAMES M 534 LAKE SHORE ROAD P.O. BOX 250 ELKINS, NH 03233	X					

Signatures

By: David M. Minnick For: James M.
Oates

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Units vest quarterly over a one year period.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.

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- (3) Options vest in 20 percent increments on 1/3/06, 1/3/07, 1/3/08, 1/3/09 and 1/3/10.
- (4) Options vest in 20% increments on 1/3/07, 1/3/08, 1/3/09, 1/3/10 and 1/3/11.

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