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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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may continue.

See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Nesi Victor Issuer Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1545 FAIRFIELD BEACH RD 02/14/2012 below) below) Director (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting FAIRFIELD, CT 06824 Person

	,
(City)	(State)

(Zip)

1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	nAcquired (A) or	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Common Stock 90,599 D

Common Stock 4,088 I by Trust

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)

De Se	Title of erivative curity nstr. 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
St	nantom cock nits	\$ 0	02/14/2012		A	10,928	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	10,928	Ş
St	nantom cock nits	\$ 0	02/14/2012		A	2,732	(3)	(2)	Common Stock	2,732	5
St	nantom cock nits	\$ 0	02/14/2012		A	10,929	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	10,929	S
St	nantom cock nits	\$ 0	02/14/2012		A	27,322	<u>(4)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	27,322	S

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting 6 wher runte / runtess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Nesi Victor 1545 FAIRFIELD BEACH RD FAIRFIELD, CT 06824	X		Director			

Signatures

VICTOR J
NESI

**Signature of Reporting Person

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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) Units vest in 20% increments over a five year period.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.
- (3) Units vest 100% five years from the grant date.

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(4) Units vest in equal yearly increments over a ten year period. This vesting may be accelerated based on the Company's performance. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.