

FOSTER CHARLES H JR
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FORM 4

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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 *
FOSTER CHARLES H JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LANDAMERICA FINANCIAL GROUP INC [LFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman

LANDAMERICA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 101 GATEWAY CENTRE PARKWAY

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

RICHMOND, VA 23235

(City) (State) (Zip)

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		
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/16/2005		M	3,675	A \$ 0	117,762	D
Common Stock	12/16/2005		D	3,675	D \$ 62.65	114,087	D
Common Stock						15,828.37	I By 401(k) plan
Common Stock ⁽²⁾						1,500	I by Trust

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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 (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. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	12/16/2005		M	3,675	12/16/2004 12/16/2007	Common Stock	3,675

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOSTER CHARLES H JR LANDAMERICA FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 101 GATEWAY CENTRE PARKWAY RICHMOND, VA 23235	X		Chairman	

Signatures

By: Wm. Chadwick Perrine For: Charles H. Foster, Jr. 12/20/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The phantom stock units disposed were cash units that vested on the anniversary date of the grant. The units were hypothetically

(1) converted to common stock and hypothetically sold at the closing price on December 16, 2005, with the insider receiving cash for the value of the units.

(2) Shares are held by trust of which Charles H. Foster, Jr. is trustee with investment power and of which members of his immediate family are beneficiaries. Mr. Foster is a director and officer of the Issuer.

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