FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC [FISI] **ANDERSON KARL** (Month/Day/Year) VALENTINE JR 05/03/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 220 LIBERTY STREET (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X__ Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer Other Person WARSAW, NYÂ 14569 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 1,211 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	(Instr. 5)
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	
		Title	Derivative	Security:	
			Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	02/18/2013	Common Stock	200	\$ 22.51	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	02/04/2014	Common Stock	200	\$ 23.8	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	02/23/2015	Common Stock	200	\$ 21.05	D	Â
Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	04/11/2015	Common Stock	200	\$ 19.13	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		
ANDERSON KARL VALENTINE JR	â v	Â	â	â		
220 LIBERTY STREET WARSAW. NY 14569	AX	A	A	Α		

Signatures

Sonia M. Dumbleton for Karl V. Anderson Jr.

05/08/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning February 18, 2004.
- (2) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning February 4, 2005
- (3) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning February 23, 2006.
- (4) The option is exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning April 11, 2006.

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