

AVERITT RICHARD G
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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 *
 AVERITT RICHARD G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC [RJF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 880 CARILLON PARKWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/01/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 CEO - RJFS

ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 116,810 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 25,392 ⁽¹⁾ | I | ESOP |

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)

| 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 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.33 | | | | | 11/28/2004 01/28/2007 | Common Stock | 9,000 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.03 | | | | | 12/10/2005 ⁽²⁾ 02/10/2008 | Common Stock | 28,390 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 21.03 | | | | | 12/10/2005 ⁽³⁾ 02/10/2008 | Common Stock | 9,102 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 25.2 | | | | | 12/04/2006 02/04/2009 | Common Stock | 4,800 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 25.2 | | | | | 01/04/2008 ⁽⁴⁾ 02/04/2009 | Common Stock | 7,200 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 37.46 | 12/01/2005 | | M | 7,506 | 12/01/2008 ⁽⁵⁾ 02/01/2011 | Common Stock | 7,506 |
| Employee Stock Option | \$ 37.46 | 12/01/2005 | | M | 2,494 | 12/01/2008 ⁽⁶⁾ 02/01/2011 | Common Stock | 2,494 |

(right to
buy)

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| AVERITT RICHARD G 880 CARILLON PARKWAY ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716 | | | CEO - RJFS | |

Signatures

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| Richard G. Averitt | 12/02/2005 |
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| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |
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- * 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 number of shares acquired under ESOP through 12/2004
- (2) Options Becoming exercisable - 21,079 on 12/10/2005, 4,572 on 12/10/2006 and 2,747 on 12/10/2007
- (3) Options Becoming exercisable - 1,420 on 12/10/2005, 2,928 on 12/10/2006 and 4,754 on 12/10/2007
- (4) Options Becoming exercisable - 3,600 on 1/04/2008, and 3,600 on 1/04/2009
- (5) Options Becoming exercisable - 5,753 on 12/01/2008, and 1,753 on 12/01/2009
- (6) Options Becoming exercisable - 247 on 12/01/2008, 247 on 12/01/2009 and 2,000 on 12/01/2010

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