OATES JAMES M

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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading OATES JAMES M Issuer Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify **522 LAKESHORE DRIVE** 02/13/2006 (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 ELKINS, NH 03233 Person

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		r	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	any		Code	Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A)	5)	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/13/2006		M	378	A	\$0	51,727	D	
Common Stock							6,266	I	by Spouse

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Deri Secu Acq (A) (Disp of (I	vative urities uired or cosed O) r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/13/2006		M		378	04/01/2004(1)	(2)	Common Stock	378
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						01/02/2002	01/02/2012	Common Stock	200
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						01/29/2002	01/29/2012	Common Stock	175
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						02/01/2002	02/01/2012	Common Stock	181
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						03/01/2002	03/01/2012	Common Stock	174
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						04/01/2002	04/01/2012	Common Stock	163
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						05/01/2002	05/01/2012	Common Stock	156
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						05/09/2002	05/09/2012	Common Stock	166
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						06/01/2002	06/01/2012	Common Stock	154
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0						07/01/2002	07/01/2012	Common Stock	165
Phantom Stock	\$ 0						07/23/2002	07/23/2012	Common Stock	155

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\$ 0	08/01/2002	08/01/2012	Common Stock	172
\$ 0	09/03/2002	09/03/2012	Common Stock	161
\$ 0	10/01/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock	165
\$ 0	10/28/2002	10/28/2012	Common Stock	199
\$ 0	11/01/2002	11/01/2012	Common Stock	174
\$ 0	12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Common Stock	177
\$ 0	01/02/2003	01/02/2013	Common Stock	189
\$ 0	01/30/2003	01/30/2013	Common Stock	208
\$ 0	02/03/2003	02/03/2013	Common Stock	177
\$ 0	03/03/2003	03/03/2013	Common Stock	175
\$ 0	04/01/2003	04/01/2013	Common Stock	179
\$ 0	05/01/2003	05/01/2013	Common Stock	172
\$ 0	05/12/2003	05/12/2013	Common Stock	195
\$ 0	06/01/2013	06/01/2013	Common Stock	166
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Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	07/01/2003	07/01/2013	Common Stock	168
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	08/01/2003	08/01/2013	Common Stock	171
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	08/06/2003	08/06/2013	Common Stock	425
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	09/01/2003	09/01/2013	Common Stock	161
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	10/01/2003	10/01/2013	Common Stock	863

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OATES JAMES M							
522 LAKESHORE DRIVE	X						
ELKINS, NH 03233							

Signatures

By: Forrest M. Smith For: James M. 02/13/2006 Oates

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 quarterly over a one year period.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.

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