

IMHOFF MICHAEL F
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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 *
IMHOFF MICHAEL F

(Last) (First) (Middle)

9132 SOUTH ROUNDTREE DRIVE

(Street)

LITTLETON, CO 80126

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/20/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/20/2006		M	2,443 A \$ 0	37,655	D	
Common Stock	01/20/2006		F	905 D \$ 38.25	36,750	D	

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 (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
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/20/2006		M	2,443	01/01/2008 ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	2,443
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 7.7813					⁽³⁾ 01/12/2010	Common Stock	6,399

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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Signatures

By: Forrest M. Smith For: Michael F. Imhoff
Date: 01/24/2006

__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) Phantom stock units vest in 33 1/3% increments on 1/1/04, 1/1/05 and 1/1/06.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.
- (3) Options vest in 20% increments on 1/12/01, 1/12/02, 1/12/03, 1/12/04 and 1/12/05.

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