#### PALITZ MICHAEL C

Form 4

January 20, 2005

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PALITZ MICHAEL C		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FINANCIAL FEDERAL CORP [FIF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 733 THIRD A	(First) VENUE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2005	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
NEW YORK, NY 10017				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)				5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/18/2005		S	17,300 (1)	D	\$ 35.665	161,530	I	By S-Corp	
Common Stock	01/19/2005		S	2,700 (1)	D	\$ 35.652	158,830	I	By S-Corp	
Common Stock							205,847	D		
Common Stock							225	Ι	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date		Number		
				C 1 W	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

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

PALITZ MICHAEL C
733 THIRD AVENUE
X
NEW YORK, NY 10017

### **Signatures**

/s/ Palitz,

Michael C. 01/20/2005

\*\*Signature of 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) Sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 program established December 2003.

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