

DAVIS JOHN ROBERT
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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 *
DAVIS JOHN ROBERT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CADENCE FINANCIAL CORP
[CADE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
P. O. BOX 1187
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/17/2010

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

STARKVILLE, MS 39760

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Cadence Financial Corporation Common Stock | | | | | 2,368.5378 | I | By Employee Benefit Plan |
| Cadence Financial Corporation Common Stock | | | | | 4,022.7323 | I | By 401K Plan |
| Cadence Financial | | | | | 799 | I | By Wife |

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Common
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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) | 8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | | | | |
| Employee Stock Options Right to Buy | \$ 20.75 | | | | | 06/13/2002 | 06/12/2011 | common stock | 4,666 |
| Employee Stock Option Right to Buy | \$ 24.11 | | | | | 06/13/2003 | 06/12/2012 | common stock | 4,666 |
| Employee Stock Option Right to Buy | \$ 25.2 | | | | | 05/01/2005 | 04/30/2014 | common stock | 4,667 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DAVIS JOHN ROBERT P. O. BOX 1187 STARKVILLE, MS 39760 | | | Vice President | |

Signatures

John R. Davis 12/17/2010

__Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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