#### STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP

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# FORM 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * OATES JAMES M			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
(East)	(11131)	(Middle)	(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
522 LAKESHORE DRIVE		Έ	04/11/2006	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(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		
ELKINS, NH 03233				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y 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)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/11/2006		M	1,067	A	\$ 7.8	52,794	D	
Common Stock	04/11/2006		M	801	A	\$ 8.7	53,595	D	
Common Stock	04/11/2006		M	534	A	\$ 13.89	54,129	D	
Common Stock	04/11/2006		M	200	A	\$ 20.22	54,329	D	
Common Stock	04/11/2006		M	1,333	A	\$ 7.9688	55,662	D	
	04/11/2006		M	1,333	A		56,995	D	

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Common Stock	\$ 8.3438					
Common Stock	6,266 I	by Spouse				
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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

number.

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number conf 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 7.8	04/11/2006		M	1,067	<u>(1)</u>	01/02/2012	Common Stock	1,067
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 8.7	04/11/2006		M	801	(2)	01/30/2013	Common Stock	801
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 10.8276	04/11/2006		M	1,333	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,333
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 10.8276	04/11/2006		M	1,333	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,333
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 13.89	04/11/2006		M	534	<u>(5)</u>	02/03/2014	Common Stock	534
• /	\$ 20.22	04/11/2006		M	200	<u>(6)</u>	01/03/2015		200

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Stock Option (Option to Buy)				Common Stock	
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 Units	\$ 0	07/23/2002	07/23/2012	Common Stock	155
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	08/01/2002	08/01/2012	Common Stock	172
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	09/03/2002	09/03/2012	Common Stock	161
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	10/01/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock	165
	\$ 0	10/28/2002	10/28/2012		199

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Phantom Stock Units				Common Stock	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	11/01/2002	11/01/2012	Common Stock	174
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Common Stock	177
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/02/2003	01/02/2013	Common Stock	189
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/30/2003	01/30/2013	Common Stock	208
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/03/2003	02/03/2013	Common Stock	177
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	03/03/2003	03/03/2013	Common Stock	175
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	04/01/2003	04/01/2013	Common Stock	179
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	05/01/2003	05/01/2013	Common Stock	172
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	05/12/2003	05/12/2013	Common Stock	195
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	06/01/2013	06/01/2013	Common Stock	166

# **Reporting Owners**

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

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# **Signatures**

By: Forrest M. Smith For: James M. O4/12/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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Date

- (1) Options vest in 20% increments on 1/2/03, 1/2/04, 1/2/05, 1/2/06 and 1/2/07.
- (2) Currently exercisable.
- (3) Options vest over time.
- (4) Various expiration dates.
- (5) Options vest in 20% increments yearly from the grant date.
- (6) Options vest in 20 percent increments on 1/3/06, 1/3/07, 1/3/08, 1/3/09 and 1/3/10.

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