

OATES JAMES M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
OATES JAMES M

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
522 LAKESHORE DRIVE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/11/2008

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

ELKINS, NH 03233  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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. Code	4. Securities		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)
				Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Amount or Price			
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M	V	200	A \$ 0 61,332	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M		140	A \$ 0 61,472	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M		35	A \$ 0 61,507	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M		145	A \$ 0 61,652	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008		M		36	A \$ 0 61,688	D	
	01/11/2008		M		174	A \$ 0 61,862	D	

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Common Stock								
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	131	A	\$ 0	61,993	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	32	A	\$ 0	62,025	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	156	A	\$ 0	62,181	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	166	A	\$ 0	62,347	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	154	A	\$ 0	62,501	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	132	A	\$ 0	62,633	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	33	A	\$ 0	62,666	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	124	A	\$ 0	62,790	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	31	A	\$ 0	62,821	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	137	A	\$ 0	62,958	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	35	A	\$ 0	62,993	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	161	A	\$ 0	63,154	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	132	A	\$ 0	63,286	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	33	A	\$ 0	63,319	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	159	A	\$ 0	63,478	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	40	A	\$ 0	63,518	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	174	A	\$ 0	63,692	D	
Common Stock	01/11/2008	M	177	A	\$ 0	63,869	D	
Common Stock						6,266	I	by Spouse

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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. F. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		200		01/02/2002 01/02/2012	Common Stock 200
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		140		01/29/2002 01/29/2012	Common Stock 140
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		35		01/29/2002 01/29/2012	Common Stock 35
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		145		02/01/2002 02/01/2012	Common Stock 145
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		36		02/01/2002 02/01/2012	Common Stock 36
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		174		03/01/2002 03/01/2012	Common Stock 174
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		131		04/01/2002 04/01/2012	Common Stock 131
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008		M		32		04/01/2002 04/01/2012	Common Stock 32

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Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	156	05/01/2002	05/01/2012	Common Stock	156
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	166	05/09/2002	05/09/2012	Common Stock	166
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	154	06/01/2002	06/01/2012	Common Stock	154
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	132	07/01/2002	07/01/2012	Common Stock	132
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	33	07/01/2002	07/01/2012	Common Stock	33
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	124	07/23/2002	07/23/2012	Common Stock	124
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	31	07/23/2002	07/23/2012	Common Stock	31
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	137	08/01/2002	08/01/2012	Common Stock	137
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	35	08/01/2002	08/01/2012	Common Stock	35
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	161	09/03/2002	09/03/2012	Common Stock	161
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	132	10/01/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock	132
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	33	10/01/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock	33
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	159	10/28/2002	10/28/2012	Common Stock	159
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	40	10/28/2002	10/28/2012	Common Stock	40
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	174	11/01/2002	11/01/2012	Common Stock	174

Units									
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/11/2008	M	177	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	

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

By: Forrest M. Smith For: James M.  
Oates 01/15/2008

\_\_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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