

ALEXANDER JOHN E  
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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 \*  
ALEXANDER JOHN E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP  
[TMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, PO BOX 460

(Street)

ITHACA, NY 14851

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/04/2010

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

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock Drip	12/31/2009		L	V	101	A	\$ 3,373	D
Common Stock Drip	12/31/2009		L	V	12	A	\$ 395	I
Common Stock Drip	12/31/2009		L	V	871	A	\$ 5,706	I
Common Stock	02/04/2010		P		2,000	A	\$ 35 19,272	D
Common Stock - Ira							682	D



## Explanation of Responses:

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\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Shares acquired through reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.

(2) Shares acquired through deferral of retainer fees, meeting attendance, and reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.

The Trust Preferred Securities were issued by Tompkins Capital Trust I, all of the common securities of which are owned by Tompkins Financial Corporation (TMP). The Trust Preferred Securities are convertible, at any time on or after April 15, 2019, into TMP Common Stock at a price of \$41.35 per share or, if higher, the average of the closing prices of TMP Common Stock on the trading days in the calendar quarter preceding the date of conversion. The amount set out in Item #7 above uses the \$41.35 conversion price.

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