

FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 4  
January 14, 2003

**FORM 4**

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

OMB APPROVAL

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

OMB Number: 3235-0287  
Expires: January 31, 2005  
Estimated average burden hours per response. . .0.5

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Filed By  
Romeo and Dye's  
Section 16 Filer  
www.section16.net

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>Murray Terrence</b> (Last) (First) (Middle)		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>FleetBoston Financial Corporation (FBF)</b>		6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director — <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner — <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) — <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)						
FleetBoston Financial Corporation 100 Federal Street		3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)		4. Statement for Month/Day/Year <b>01/13/03</b>						
(Street) <b>Boston, MA 02110</b>		5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)		7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)		<b>Table I Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>								
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 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/13/03		M		300,000	A	\$20.69		D	
Common Stock	01/13/03		F <sup>(1)</sup>		226,367	D	\$27.42		D	
Common Stock	01/13/03		F <sup>(2)</sup>		20,948	D	\$27.42	91,334 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								556,752 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	By Trust
Common Stock								12,035	I	Murray & Young Assoc. L.L.C.

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number

FORM 4 (continued)

**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 & 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$20.69	01/13/03		M		300,000		11/30/96	11/29/05	Common Stock	300,000	\$27.42	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Delivery of previously owned shares to pay stock option exercise price.
- (2) Withholding of shares or delivery of previously owned shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with a stock option exercise.
- (3) Reflects the transfer of 52,685 shares from directly owned to Fleet National Bank as Trustee of the J. Terrence Murray Revocable Trust dated 11/20/87, as amended-standby.

By: /s/ **Terrence Murray**  
**Terrence Murray**

**01/14/03**  
 Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed.  
 If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.