FOWLDS JOHN JEFFERY

Form 4

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1. Name and Address FOWLDS JOHN	of Reporting Person * JEFFERY	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (F	irst) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
3 MOCKINGBIR	D LANE	(Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) MANAGING DIR, EQUITY CAP		
(S	treet)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
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Person

CHERRY HILLS, CO 80110-

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	caction Date 2A. Deemed (Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/29/2005		M	2,666	A	\$ 8.25	8,707	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2005		F	1,230	D	\$ 37.75	7,477	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2005		S	1,270	D	\$ 37.75	6,207	D	
Common Stock	12/29/2005		S	166	D	\$ 38.14	6,041	D	

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

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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. Transactic 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 8.25	12/29/2005		M	2,666	<u>(1)</u>	01/03/2011	Common Stock	2,666

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FOWLDS JOHN JEFFERY 3 MOCKINGBIRD LANE CHERRY HILLS, CO 80110-

MANAGING DIR, EQUITY CAP

Signatures

By: Forrest M. Smith For: John Jeffery Fowlds

12/30/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Various exercisable dates.

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