IMHOFF MICHAEL F

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * IMHOFF MICHAEL F			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheek all applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
9132 SOUTH	UTH ROUNDTREE		01/20/2006	Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) DIR FI TRADING		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LITTLETON,	CO 80126		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired r(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/20/2006		Code V M	Amount 2,443	(D)	Price \$ 0	37,655	D	
Common Stock	01/20/2006		F	905	D	\$ 38.25	36,750	D	

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

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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 proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab 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
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	01/20/2006		M	2,443	01/01/2008(1)	(2)	Common Stock	2,443
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 7.7813					(3)	01/12/2010	Common Stock	6,399

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

IMHOFF MICHAEL F 9132 SOUTH ROUNDTREE DRIVE LITTLETON, CO 80126

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Signatures

By: Forrest M. Smith For: Michael F. Imhoff

01/24/2006

**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) Phantom stock units vest in 33 1/3% increments on 1/1/04, 1/1/05 and 1/1/06.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.
- (3) Options vest in 20% increments on 1/12/01, 1/12/02, 1/12/03, 1/12/04 and 1/12/05.

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