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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Plotkin Ben A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a			STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]					(Check all applicable)		
· / / · · / · · / · · · /			of Earliest Transaction (Day/Year)				X Director 10% Owner			
225 REGATTA DRIVE			07/23/2010					X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice Chairman		
	4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
				Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
JUPITER, FL 33477								Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction De (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	ned 3. 4. Securities Acquired n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Oay/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	ties Form: Direct Indirect icially (D) or Beneficial d Indirect (I) Ownership ving (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) ted action(s)			
				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	07/23/2010			M	8,794	A	\$0	111,122	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2010			F	3,206	D	\$ 44.44	107,916	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 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	07/23/2010		M	8,794	02/10/2009(1)	(2)	Common Stock	8,794
Warrants	\$ 24					<u>(1)</u>	06/22/2012	Common Stock	15,700

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Plotkin Ben A 225 REGATTA DRIVE JUPITER, FL 33477	X		Vice Chairman				

Signatures

Ben A. Plotkin 07/26/2010

**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) Currently exercisable.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.

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