TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

ALEXANDER JOHN E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

[TMP]

(Check all applicable)

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

10/07/2016

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, PO BOX 460

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

ITHACA, NY 14851

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

Conversion

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year) TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 6. Date Exercisable and 1. Title of 5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date**

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7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr

Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5))	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (E	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	10/07/2016		A	130.74	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	130.74	\$ 7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ALEXANDER JOHN E TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION PO BOX 460 ITHACA, NY 14851



Signatures

/s/John E. 10/11/2016 Alexander

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).
 - Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Phantom stock represents deferred stock
- (1) compensation under the Amended and Restated Retainer Plan for Eligible Directors of Tompkins Financial Corporation and its Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries. These shares are held in a rabbi trust pending distribution upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Plan. The reporting person has no voting or investment power over the shares prior to such distribution.
- (2) Includes shares acquired through reinvestment of quarterly dividends.

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