SPIRIT FINANCE CORP Form SC 13G/A February 09, 2007

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 2) \*

Spirit Finance Corporation
(Name of Issuer)
Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)
848568309
(CUSIP Number)
December 31, 2006
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:
[_] Rule 13d-1(b) [X] Rule 13d-1(c) [_] Rule 13d-1(d)
* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.
The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).
CUSIP No. 848568309
1. Names of Reporting Persons/ I.R.S. Identification Nos. of Above Persons (entities only):  LEON G. COOPERMAN

Check th	ie Appropriate	e Box if a Member of a Group	(See Instruc
(a) (b)	[_] [X]		
3. SEC Use	_		
		of Organization:	
UN: 	TTED STATES		
Jumber of		Sole Voting Power:	-0-
Shares Bene- ficially Owned by Each Report-		Shared Voting Power	-0-
	7.	Sole Dispositive Power:	-0-
ng Person With	8.	Shared Dispositive Power	-0-
1. Percent	of Class Rep	presented by Amount in Row (9	)):
.2. Type of	Reporting Pe	erson	
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Etem 1(a) Na	ame of Issuer:		
Spa	rit Finance C	Corporation (the "Issuer").	
Item 1(b) Ad	dress of the	Issuer's Principal Executive	e Offices:

14631 N. Scottsdale Road Suite 200 Scottsdale, AZ 82554

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

This statement is filed on behalf of Leon G. Cooperman ("Mr. Cooperman").

Mr. Cooperman is the Managing Member of Omega Associates, L.L.C. ("Associates"), a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Associates is a private investment firm formed to invest in and act as general partner of investment partnerships or similar investment vehicles. Associates is the general partner of limited partnerships organized under the laws of Delaware known as Omega Capital Investors, L.P. ("Investors LP") and Omega Equity Investors, L.P. ("Equity LP"). These entities are private investment firms engaged in the purchase and sale of securities for investment for their own accounts.

Mr. Cooperman is the ultimate  $\,$  controlling person of Associates,  $\,$  Investors LP, and Equity LP.

Mr. Cooperman is married to an individual named Toby Cooperman. Mr. Cooperman is also one of the Trustees of the Leon and Toby Cooperman Foundation (the "Foundation"), a charitable trust dated December 16, 1981. The other trustees are his wife, Toby Cooperman, his sons, Wayne Cooperman and Michael Cooperman, and his brother, Howard J. Cooperman.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:

The address of the principal business office of each of Mr. Cooperman, Investors LP, and Equity LP is 88 Pine Street, Wall Street Plaza - 31st Floor, New York, New York 10005.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

Mr. Cooperman is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock (the "Shares")

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number: 848568309

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Sections 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c):

This Item 3 is not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership:

tem 4(a) (b) Amount Beneficially Owned and Percent of Class:

-0-

Item 4(c) Number of Shares as to which such person has:

- (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following  $[X\ ]$ 

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

This Item 6 is not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company:

This Item 7 is not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

This Item 8 is not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

This Item 9 is not applicable.

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below the I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the Issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATED: February 8, 2007 as of December 31, 2006

LEON G. COOPERMAN, individually, as Managing Member of Omega Associates, L.L.C. on behalf of Omega Capital Investors, L.P.and Omega Equity Investors, L.P.,

By /s/ ALAN M. STARK

Alan M. Stark Attorney-in-Fact Power of Attorney on file

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