ZEMLYAK JAMES M

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ZEMLYAK JAMES M | | | 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 | (Check an applicable) | | |
| ONE FINANCIAL PLAZA, 501 N. BROADWAY | | | (Month/Day/Year) 07/08/2010 | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CHIEF FIN'L & ADMIN OFFCR | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| ST. LOUIS, M | O 63102-2 | 102 | 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 S | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------|--|--|---|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 07/08/2010 | | G | 580 | D | \$0 | 368,753 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/21/2010 | | G | 265 | D | \$0 | 368,488 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/22/2010 | | M | 28,000 | A | \$ 5.5 | 396,488 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/22/2010 | | F | 13,311 | D | \$ 62.2 | 383,177 | D | |
| Common Stock | 07/08/2010 | | G | 580 | A | \$0 | 1,850 | I | by Son |

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | orDeriv Secur Acqu | rities ired (A) sposed of . 3, 4, | 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) | (1) | 12/22/2010 | | M | | 28,000 | (2) | <u>(3)</u> | Common Stock | 28,000 |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | (5) | Common Stock | 59,055 |
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | | | | | | (2) | (5) | Common Stock | 6,153 |
| Stock Option (Option to Buy) | \$ 7.8 | | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | 01/02/2012 | Common Stock | 40,001 |
| Stock Option (Option to Buy) | \$ 8.6925 | | | | | | <u>(7)</u> | 02/10/2013 | Common Stock | 40,001 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ZEMLYAK JAMES M ONE FINANCIAL PLAZA 501 N. BROADWAY ST. LOUIS, MO 63102-2102 | X | | CHIEF FIN'L & ADMIN OFFCR | | | | |

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Signatures

JAMES M ZEMLYAK

12/23/2010

**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) Various exercise prices.
- (2) Various exercisable dates.
- (3) Various expiration dates.
- (4) Units vest in 20% increments over a five year period.
- (5) No expiration date for these Units.
- (6) Options vest in 20% increments on 1/2/03, 1/2/04, 1/2/05, 1/2/06 and 1/2/07.
- (7) Options vest in 20% increments on 2/10/04, 2/10/05, 2/10/06, 2/10/07 and 2/10/08.

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