

JAMES THOMAS A
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JAMES THOMAS A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC [RJF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
880 CARILLON PARKWAY
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/10/2004

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman/CEO

ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 | 12/10/2004 | | A | V Amount 14,400 (1) | (A) or (D) Price \$ 0 (1) | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 702,612 | I | ESOP |
| Common Stock | | | | | 32,058 | I | Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | 377,262 | I | Helen W. James Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | 5,044,020 | I | Robert A. James Trust |

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Common Stock 169,759 I Grandchildrens Trust ⁽²⁾

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| JAMES THOMAS A 880 CARILLON PARKWAY ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716 | X | X | Chairman/CEO | |

Signatures

Thomas A. James 12/10/2004
 **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) Award of stock as portion of annual bonus
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(2), Mr. James disclaims any beneficial interest in the Trust or these shares. The trust acts independently of Mr. James.

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