#### STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SLINEY DAVID D Issuer Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify \_X\_\_ Officer (give title 49 LOG CABIN DRIVE 09/18/2008 below) Dir Strategic Planning & Tech (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

ST. LOUIS, MO 63124

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner.

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(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Jerivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		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	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/18/2008		M	1,575	A	\$ 4.7917	34,159	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2008		F	629	D	\$ 44.484	33,530	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2008		S	946	D	\$ 44.484	32,584	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2008		M	8,000	A	\$ 5.2188	40,584	D	
Common Stock	09/18/2008		F	3,799	D	\$ 44.484	36,785	D	

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Common Stock	09/18/2008	S	4,201	D	\$ 44.484	32,584	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	M	11,999	A	\$ 5.2188	44,583	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	F	1,520	D	\$ 44.486	43,063	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	F	3,863	D	\$ 49.42	39,200	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	M	4,725	A	\$ 4.7917	43,925	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	F	514	D	\$ 44.486	43,411	D
Common Stock	09/18/2008	F	1,461	D	\$ 49.42	41,950	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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	(1)	09/18/2008		M	1,575	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	1,575
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	<u>(1)</u>	09/18/2008		M	8,000	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option (Option	(1)	09/18/2008		M	11,999	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	11,999

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to Buy)								
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	(1)	09/18/2008	M	4,725	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	4,725
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0				<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	37,066
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 7.8				<u>(6)</u>	01/02/2012	Common Stock	19,999
Stock Option (Option to Buy)	\$ 8.6925				<u>(7)</u>	02/10/2013	Common Stock	13,999

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CLINEY DAVID D							

SLINEY DAVID D 49 LOG CABIN DRIVE ST. LOUIS, MO 63124

Dir Strategic Planning & Tech

## **Signatures**

DAVID D
SLINEY

\*\*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).
- (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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