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CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP

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1(b).

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Addr WEST CATHE	•	ng Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP [COF]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
1680 CAPITAL ONE DRIVE			12/20/2005	below) below) Executive Vice President			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MCLEAN MA	22102	Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One F Form filed by More					
MCLEAN, VA 22102				Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zin)					

	(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	ities Acqu	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
	1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
-	(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						(A)		Reported Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
	Common Stock	12/20/2005		F(1)	2,132	D	\$ 85.12	53,111	D		
	Common Stock (2)	12/20/2005		S	2,830	D	\$ 87.47	50,281	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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amour	nt of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	5
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)]
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	Security				Acquired						J
					(A) or						J
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration		Number		
						Exercisable Date		of			
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

enorting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WEST CATHERINE Executive
1680 CAPITAL ONE DRIVE Vice
MCLEAN, VA 22102 President

Signatures

By: Frederick L. Williams (POA on file)

**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) Represents the automatic withholding by the issuer to satisfy the reporting person's tax obligation associated with the vesting of restricted stock granted on December 15, 2003. This is authorized in the applicable restricted stock award agreement.
- (2) This transaction was executed pursuant to a trading plan entered into by the Reporting Person on November 14, 2005 in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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