

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 REIMER RONALD C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC [WDR]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 6300 LAMAR AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/05/2007

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

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66202  
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common	02/05/2007		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 3,233 D \$ 0 21,705		D	
Class A Common	02/05/2007		G	V 3,233 A \$ 0 11,489		I	Family Charitable Foundation
Class A Common	09/13/2007		G <sup>(2)</sup>	V 1,080 D \$ 0 20,625		D	
Class A Common	09/13/2007		G	V 1,080 A \$ 0 1,080		I	Family Investment LLC
	11/28/2007		G <sup>(2)</sup>	V 1,012 D \$ 0 19,613		D	

Class A  
Common

Class A Common	11/28/2007	G	V	1,012	A	\$ 0	2,092	I	Family Investment LLC
Class A Common							1,000	I	Pension Plan Account

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
REIMER RONALD C 6300 LAMAR AVENUE OVERLAND PARK, KS 66202		X		

## Signatures

Ronald C.  
Reimer

12/18/2007

\*\*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) Transfer of shares to family charitable foundation.

(2) Transfer of shares to a family LLC.

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