

GOETHE ROBERT A
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
GOETHE ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
REGIONS FINANCIAL CORP [RF]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7130 GOODLETT FARMS PKWY.,
A4E
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/15/2004

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Mortgage Executive

CORDOVA, TN 38016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/15/2004		A	5,000 A \$ 0	50,363.952	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 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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 33.82	10/15/2004		A		90,000		<u>(1)</u>	10/15/2011	Common Stock	90,000
Phantom Stock Units (401k)	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>							<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	3,643
Stock Option	\$ 9.86							01/13/1996	01/13/2005	Common Stock	1,669
Stock Option	\$ 9.86							03/01/1996	01/13/2005	Common Stock	6,682
Stock Option	\$ 18.17							01/03/1997	01/03/2006	Common Stock	14,815
Stock Option	\$ 16.89							01/11/1997	01/11/2006	Common Stock	1,012
Stock Option	\$ 16.89							01/11/1998	01/11/2006	Common Stock	1,014
Stock Option	\$ 16.89							01/11/1999	01/11/2006	Common Stock	1,014
Stock Option	\$ 16.89							01/11/2000	01/11/2006	Common Stock	1,014
Stock Option	\$ 16.89							01/11/2001	01/11/2006	Common Stock	1,013
Stock Option	\$ 31.39							10/09/1998	10/09/2007	Common Stock	4,875
Stock Option	\$ 33.48							04/09/1999	04/09/2008	Common Stock	13,889
Stock Option	\$ 28.88							08/30/2000	08/30/2009	Common Stock	13,889
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							02/19/2004	02/19/2010	Common Stock	24,692
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							02/19/2005	02/19/2010	Common Stock	12,346
	\$ 25.66							02/19/2006	02/19/2010		12,346

Stock Option				Common Stock	
Stock Option	\$ 16.28	03/15/2001	03/15/2010	Common Stock	18,519
Stock Option	\$ 22.6	01/16/2002	01/16/2011	Common Stock	15,433
Stock Option	\$ 22.6	01/16/2003	01/16/2011	Common Stock	7,716
Stock Option	\$ 22.6	01/16/2004	01/16/2011	Common Stock	7,716
Stock Option	\$ 28.17	(3)	04/21/2011	Common Stock	61,730
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2003	01/22/2012	Common Stock	15,433
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2004	01/22/2012	Common Stock	7,716
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2005	01/22/2012	Common Stock	7,716

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOETHE ROBERT A 7130 GOODLETT FARMS PKWY., A4E CORDOVA, TN 38016			Sr. Mortgage Executive	

Signatures

By: Ronald C. Jackson 10/18/2004

**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) The options will vest in two equal installments on October 15, 2006 and 2007.
 - (2) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Regions' benefit plans.
 - (3) The option becomes exercisable in three equal installments on April 21, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

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