

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC
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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 *
RIESS RICHARD K

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)
12/16/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

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)
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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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	13,035	D	
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	25,310 ⁽¹⁾	I	ESOP

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.75					11/18/2002 01/18/2005	Common Stock	750
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.75					11/18/2002 01/18/2005	Common Stock	9,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.33					11/28/2004 01/28/2007	Common Stock	6,150
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.33					11/28/2004 ⁽²⁾ 01/28/2007	Common Stock	8,850
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 25.2					12/04/2006 ⁽³⁾ 02/04/2009	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RIESS RICHARD K
880 CARILLON PARKWAY
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716

Executive
Vice
President

Signatures

Richard K.
Riess

12/16/2004

**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) Since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report, the reporting person has disposed of 12,466 shares held in his ESOP pursuant to a diversification election made under the Internal Revenue Code.
 - (2) Options currently exercisable - 2,850, Options Becoming exercisable - 3,000 on 11/28/2005 and 3,000 on 11/28/2006
 - (3) Options Becoming exercisable - 1,200 on 12/04/2006, 3,600 on 01/04/2007, 3,600 on 01/04/2008 and 3,600 on 01/04/2009

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